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THE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE SOCIETY.

Our late Anniversary was a most happy event to all the friends of the Society. The attendance was large, the enthusiasm hearty, and the results most gratifying. We sincerely thank the Master, whom we seek by this organization to glorify, for the rich blessing vouchsafed to us. We enter upon the new year with large hopes and resolute purposes, and look to the Lord to give the increase.

We owe and are happy to return our grateful acknowledgments to the Committee on Hospitality, appointed by the P. E. Clerical Association, for the admirable arrangements which marked our Anniversary Meetings. As this Committee is about to increase our debt of gratitude by publishing, under a vote of this Association, a full report of the three days' evangelical gathering, it will be unnecessary for us to make here any further reference to it.

The friends in this city who demon-

strated that hospitality has not ceased to be a Christian practice must pardon us for sending abroad a word in praise of their kind entertainment of those who visited us.

We give up this entire number to the Report of the Society.

Heretofore THE REGISTER has been issued quarterly; on the first proximo it will be issued as a monthly. It will be enlarged; and our effort will be to make it a useful medium for acquainting the members of the Society and the Church at large with its principles and operations, and for communicating general and missionary intelligence. We hope that it will be more useful in its new form, and appeal to our friends to give it a liberal support. Those who may desire a specimen copy may obtain it by applying to the Secretaries of the Society, who will also be glad to supply the clergy who may wish this number of THE REGISTER for the Annual Report, for distribution in their churches.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

American Church Missionary Society.

SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, November 7, 1866.

THE American Church Missionary Society assembled for the transaction of business in the Church of the Ascension, New-York, at 12 o'clock M., the President, Jay Cooke, Esq., in the chair.

There were present the Rt. Rev. Drs. A. Lee, of Delaware; Johns, of Virginia; Eastburn, of Massachusetts; Payne, of Africa; Vail, of Kansas; the Rev. Mr. Dalton, of Maine; the Rev. Drs. Wharton and Potter, and the Rev. Messrs. Bean, Cutler, Fales, Greene, Higbee, H. L. Jones, Lhoyd, McClory, Neilson, Seymour, Tortat, and Wylie, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Messrs. R. B. Duane, Hubbard, Porter, Sever, and Tiffany, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Mr. Faulkner, of Connecticut; the Rev. Drs. Canfield, Dyer, Goddard, Pratt, John Cotton Smith, J. B. Smith, Tyng, and A. H. Vinton, and the Rev. Messrs. E. Anthon, Abbott, Aspinwall, C. W. Bolton, Bugbee, R. H. Bourne, Con-

rad, Cowley, Dymond, Gallagher, A. Guion, Huckel, Theodore Irving, Jaggar, Luquer, W. H. Moore, Platt, Postlethwaite, Rising, Sabine, J. Howard Smith, Stephenson, Syle, Tracy, Trimble, and S. H. Tyng, Jr., of New-York; the Rev. Mr. Cornell, of Western New-York; the Rev. Drs. A. Jones and Meier Smith, and the Rev. Messrs. Brown, D. C. Bylesby, S. A. Clark, Colton, T. Drumm, C. W. Duane, G. Z. Gray, Harris, Hawkins, Munroe, Stuart, M. B. Smith, and Whitaker, of New-Jersey; the Rev. Drs. Claxton, Newton, Spear, Stone, Suddards, and Watson, and the Rev. Messrs. S. E. Appleton, Duer, John Bolton, Borham, Phillips Brooks, Cooper, Cromlish, Graham, Harding, Kellogg, Leacock, Lounsbery, Matlack, Maxwell, Miles, Miller, Newman, Parvin, Quick, Shiras, Simes, Williamson, and Wright, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Peet, of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Messrs. Morsell and Newbold, of Delaware; the Rev. Messrs. Grammer and Howell, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Sparrow, and the Rev. Messrs. Greer and Woods, of Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Bronson, and the Rev. Messrs. Burton and Morrison, of Ohio; the Rev. Messrs. Jenckes and Mortimer, of Kentucky; the Rev. Mr. Meyer, of Michigan; the Rev. Mr. Cheney, of Illinois; the Rev. Mr. Stout, of Iowa; and the Rev. Mr. Liggins, of Japan; Messrs. J. S. Amory, S. K. Ashton, M.D., J. G. Bacchus, J. S. Beers, M. L. Bradford, A. H. Britton, Stewart Brown, S. B. Caldwell, J. M. Christian, J. N. Conyngham, Jay Cooke, (President,) E. W. Dunham, Fred. G. Foster, B. Gill, J. C. Gunn, Z. Locke, C. R. Marvin, Geo. D. Morgan, (Treasurer,) L. Morris, R. C. Nichols, Charles S. Olden, Jos. Parker, F. T. Peet, Z. H. Russell, Robert B. Sterling, and J. H. Taylor.

The meeting was opened with singing, and with prayer by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Alfred Lee.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Rev. Edward Anthon, Assistant Corresponding Secretary, read the Seventh Report of the Executive Committee; and the Treasurer, George D. Morgan, Esq., read his Annual Report; both of which were accepted and referred to the Executive Committee for publication.

The Rev. Dr. H. C. Potter, the Rev. Mr. Parvin, and the Hon. J. N. Conyngham, were appointed a Committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

The following persons were nominated and elected:

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Rev. RICHARD NEWTON, D.D., of Pennsylvania.

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Rev. THOMAS A. JAGGAR,	STEWART BROWN, Esq.,
Rev. A. H. VINTON, D.D.,	OLON HUMPHREYS, Esq.

On motion, the thanks of the Society were unani-

mously rendered to the Treasurer for his services during the past year.

The following letter was read by the Recording Secretary, and, on motion, ordered to be printed with the minutes:

(COPY.)

DAVENPORT, IOWA, Oct. 30, 1866.

MY DEAR MR. DUANE:

My recent visit to the East, to attend the Special Meeting of the House of Bishops, and the other meetings occurring about the same time, together with an impaired state of health, will prevent my presence at the approaching Annual Meeting of the American Church Missionary Society. I regret this sincerely, for it would give me great pleasure to meet the brethren, and confer with them in regard to the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom: but I submit to God's providence; and, instead of my personal attendance, must send my best wishes for the continued success of the Society, and the assurance of my prayers that all your deliberations may be guided by the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier of the faithful. Had it not been for the unusual postponement of the meeting, I should probably have been with you; but I feel that my attendance would be of very little importance, except to certify my interest in the objects of the Society, and my gratitude for what it has done in the Diocese committed to my charge. We are deeply indebted to the Society for its kind benefactions, and hope for a continuance of its favors in our behalf.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed)

HENRY W. LEE.

To the Rec. Sec. of A. C. M. S.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Pratt, it was

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Society, it is desirable to establish in all our parishes a meeting for prayer, especially in behalf of Missions at home and abroad.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Tyng, it was

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Society be expressed to the Rev. Robert J. Parvin, of Pennsylvania, for his voluntary and effective services in his Agency for the American Church Missionary Society.

The Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith offered the following resolutions, which, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Matlack, were laid on the table for the present

Resolved, That this Society, deeply sensible of the importance of the promotion of the educational interests of the Church, with special reference to preparation for the Holy Ministry in order to the successful prosecution of its Missionary work, deems it expedient that a Board of Education be established.

Resolved, That a Committee of Five be appointed, to confer with the Evangelical Education Committees already existing, with power in connection with them to organize a general Educational Society.

On motion of the Rev. W. H. Moore, it was

Resolved, That it be referred to the Executive Committee to consider the subject of appointing meetings in different parts of the country, at which the objects of this Society shall be presented, and additional interest in the missionary work excited, through delegates appointed by the Executive Committee.

Stewart Brown, Esq., moved the adoption of the following amendments to the Fourth Article of the Constitution: substitute "ten" for "five" before "clergy-men" and before "laymen;" after "laymen" add "a majority of whom shall be residents in the city, or in the immediate vicinity of the city, in which the Executive Committee is located."

The amendments were adopted, and the following persons nominated and elected as the additional members of the Executive Committee:

Rev. H. C. POTTER, D.D.,	JAMES S. AMORY, Esq.
Rev. WM. PRESTON, D.D.,	F. R. BRUNOT, Esq.,
Rev. CHARLES E. CHENEY,	J. W. ANDREWS, Esq.,
Rev. ROBERT J. PARVIN,	H. A. OAKLEY, Esq.,
Rev. PHILLIPS BROOKS,	A. G. TYNG, Esq.

On motion, the Society adjourned to Thursday, Nov. 8th, at 2 o'clock P.M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOV. 8, 1866.

The President in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Newton.

The resolutions of the Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith were taken from the table and passed.

The Chair appointed as the Committee under the second resolution, the

REV. JOHN COTTON SMITH, D.D.,
 REV. S. A. BRONSON, D.D.,
 REV. WILLIAM SPARROW, D.D.,
 HON. JOHN N. CONYNGHAM,
 MARTIN L. BRADFORD, Esq.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Parvin, it was

Resolved, That this Society reaffirms its resolutions of confidence in and sympathy for the "*Mission House*," (now located in Philadelphia,) and that we anew commend it to the prayers and aid of the members of this Society, and all lovers of Gospel Missions.

On motion, the Society adjourned.

RICHARD B. DUANE, *Rec. Sec.*



Seventh Anniversary.

THE American Church Missionary Society held its Seventh Anniversary in the Church of the Ascension, New-York, on Wednesday evening, November 7th, 1866, at half-past seven o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Newton, one of the Vice-Presidents, in the chair.

The exercises were opened with singing, and with prayers by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Eastburn.

Portions of the Annual Report were read by the Assist. Cor. Sec., and addresses delivered by the Rev. F. S. Rising, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Vail, the Rev. Dr. Wharton, and the Rev. Dr. Tyng.

After the usual collection, and singing, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Eastburn.

RICHARD B. DUANE, *Rec. Sec.*

THE
SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
AMERICAN CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE record of our work for the past twelve months varies but little from that of former years. New points have been occupied, a few old ones discontinued. Several new missionaries have been commissioned, some who have labored long and usefully have resigned, while those that remain give a good account of their stewardship. But notwithstanding these changes and fluctuations the Lord has continued to bless the work. At the commencement, therefore, of this their Seventh Annual Report, the Committee would first of all express their humble acknowledgment of that Divine Providence which has directed and controlled all their endeavors to extend the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

THE WORK OF THE SOCIETY.

At the last Annual Meeting it was resolved that a special effort should be made to raise the sum of "*One Hundred Thousand Dollars* for Gospel missions in the United States, as a *thank-offering* to the Lord for mercies vouchsafed to the land and the Church in the reëstablishment of the national authority."

The Executive Committee, therefore, early in January, issued the following appeal, which was widely circulated :

A THANK-OFFERING.

"At the late Annual Meeting of the American Church Missionary Society, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted :

"*Whereas*, Since the last Annual Meeting of this Society it has pleased Almighty God to sustain the efforts of the National Government in the reëstablishment of its authority over the whole land, and to give peace in this our time ; and

"*Whereas*, Throughout the loyal portions of the land, God has

manifestly blessed His people with prosperity, giving them the means to do great things in His name, and thus opening 'a great door and effectual' for increased Gospel labors; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That, as an expression of our thankfulness to God for mercies vouchsafed to the land and to the Church through the past year, this Society regards itself as called upon to 'devise liberal things,' and put forth more earnest efforts than ever before for the preaching of the Gospel of salvation throughout all our borders.

"*Resolved*, That as a thank-offering to the Lord, this Society will make especial efforts to raise during the year now before us a sum of not less than ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS for Gospel missions in the United States.

"In carrying out this action of the Society, the Executive Committee would make their earnest appeal to the churches and to individuals throughout the country for their full-hearted coöperation. The opportunities for extending the influence of the Society were never greater. The fields to be occupied are rapidly multiplying. The demands upon the Committee come from every quarter. Let there be a prompt and liberal response. The sum named ought and can be raised, if all who feel an interest in the work will do what they can."

In answer to this appeal the Treasurer received a number of contributions marked "Thank-offering;" but, as his report shows, the response has by no means been what the Society desired.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

The receipts for the year from all sources, including the balance from last year, were \$56,412.38.

The expenditures have been \$54,227.62.

Leaving a balance on hand October 1, 1866, of \$2184.76.

THE "ANTHON PROFESSORSHIP OF SYSTEMATIC DIVINITY IN GRISWOLD COLLEGE, IOWA."

By virtue of the terms of this endowment the Committee in November last nominated to the Trustees of Griswold College the Right Rev. HENRY W. LEE, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, as "*Anthon Professor of Systematic Divinity*." The nomination was confirmed, and the Bishop now occupies that chair.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY AND GENERAL AGENT.

In view of "the increasing work of the Society, and the great importance of having its principles more fully understood, and

its revenues enlarged," it was resolved at the last anniversary to appoint one or more agents for this purpose, and the Executive Committee was authorized to make such appointments.

In accordance with these instructions the Committee, immediately after its organization, took steps to secure a *Financial Secretary and General Agent*. In order to give the Committee time to select a permanent officer for this important position, the Rev. Robert J. Parvin, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cheltenham, Pa., kindly consented to act as Temporary Agent. His attention was chiefly directed to the Dioceses of Pennsylvania and Maryland, and, as his report appended to this will show, was able to accomplish a good work for the Society. The Committee subsequently unanimously elected the *Rev. Franklin S. Rising* as *Financial Secretary and General Agent*. The Rev. Mr. Rising has been connected with our Nevada Mission since its inception, but on account of ill-health he is compelled to abandon that field. He has signified his willingness to accept the agency, and will at once enter upon its duties.

THE MISSION TO HAYTI.

The following resolutions in regard to this mission were referred to the Committee by the last Annual Meeting :

"*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee be advised that it is the desire of this Society that the Haytian Mission be tendered to the Foreign Committee for its adoption and care.

"*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this Society be directed, on the acceptance of this Mission by the Foreign Committee, to pay to its Treasurer all funds now in hand, or which shall hereafter be contributed for that special object."

In obedience to these directions the Committee, at the first meeting after the anniversary, offered the charge of the Haytian Mission to the Foreign Committee. It was accepted; and the balance of the fund, amounting to \$1348.35, was paid over to the Treasurer.

The Rev. Mr. Holly, in a letter afterward received, thus takes leave of the Society :

"I desire to express my sincere personal gratitude to the Executive Committee of the American Church Missionary Society for the kind aid, pecuniary and otherwise, which they have been pleased to extend to me, during the past three years, as a servant

of the Lord, who, in obedience to His Ascension command, have quitted the home of my nativity and gone forth from thence to a nation in spiritual darkness, in order to preach the Gospel. As faithful stewards distributing the missionary offerings which believers intrust to their care, I am sure they will regard this formal rendering of thanks to them superfluous on my part, for their reward will come from the great Master whom we all are bound to serve in this cause; yet I could not forego this expression of my personal gratitude to those gentlemen who have been God's instruments in dispensing to my work here some of the Christian offerings of the faithful."

MISSION FIELDS AND REPORTS.

The Society has employed thirty-eight missionaries during the year. They were distributed as follows: Delaware, 2; Illinois, 2; Iowa, 10; Kansas, 11; Kentucky, 2; Maryland, 1; Massachusetts, 1; Nevada, 3; Ohio, 1; West-Virginia, 2; Tennessee, 2; New-York, 1.

Of these, 12 were new appointments and 24 were recommissioned. Seven have resigned, leaving the present number 31.

Four lay missionaries have also been employed in the Diocese of Iowa, under the supervision of the Bishop.

The following reports will show the amount of work which has been accomplished:

DELAWARE.

Delaware was adopted as a missionary field late in the summer. There is, therefore, as yet, but little to report. Two appointments have been made: the Rev. W. R. Ellis to Millsboro and Baltimore Mills, and the Rev. J. J. Harrison to Newark.

From Rev. W. R. ELLIS:

"MILLSBORO AND BALTIMORE MILLS.

"I took charge of the above-named parishes about the first of July, and have service at each place once in two weeks. It has not been convenient for me to officiate at Baltimore Mills as often as I have at the other places; but I hope to be there regularly hereafter.

"There have been no baptisms since my appointment, nor has any one been confirmed. As yet I have been unable to learn the number of communicants. I have but one Sunday-school; that is at Millsboro. The number of scholars that attend is quite small. I hope, however, this is but a nucleus, around which I

eventually may have the pleasure of gathering many. I spoke to some of the members of St. John's, Little Hill, of organizing a Sunday-school there, but the suggestion did not seem to meet their approbation; I therefore thought it best to let the matter rest for a time. I am not yet able to say whether it is expedient to organize a Sunday-school at Baltimore Mills. It will not, perhaps, be amiss to state that, from what I can learn, I should meet with better success were I to organize a Sunday-school at or near the old Dagsboro Church, which is two or three miles west from Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. And I may state further that there is a very strong desire on the part of some to repair the old Dagsboro Church; and if I have been rightly informed, quite a sum has been or could be collected for that purpose. If I may be allowed to express my opinion, I can not but think more would attend service there than attend Grace Church. My congregations are small. The one at Little Hill is considerably scattered; though, considering it has been so long without a minister, it is as good as could be expected. The congregation at Millsboro is about the same as that at Little Hill. That at Baltimore Mills is very small."

ILLINOIS.

The work of the Society in this Diocese has not been increased by any new appointment. The Rev. F. B. Nash still continues at Tiskilwa, and the Rev. S. Cowell at Loekport.

TISKILWA—REV. F. B. NASH.

"I am very thankful that I am able, at the end of another year, to report my mission in a prosperous condition. We have lost a good deal here by removals, but have gained more by additions, and have a cheering prospect of still further gains. Our church edifice here is about finished. It is a gem of a church for a cheap one. The whole cost, including lot, fence, upholstering, etc., will be about \$5000. We have incurred a debt of about \$1200 in building it; but I think this can be paid off in a year or so without any serious trouble.

"Every thing is ready for commencing building a church at Princeton. They expect to get it inclosed this fall. I presume this will about exhaust the funds they now have. We hope to raise more means next spring, so as to be able to complete the church next summer.

"I hope the Committee will not think our request for a continu-

ation of the aid we are now receiving for a year or so to come, unreasonable. As soon as we can dispose of our debt here and complete the church at Princeton, we shall be able, I am confident, to sustain ourselves. I hope we shall be able to do this during another year. My salary here now is \$350, with the use of the parsonage. At Princeton it is \$200."

IOWA.

The Society has had nine clerical and four lay missionaries in this Diocese during the year. Of the clerical, three were new appointments: the Rev. John Chamberlain, to Council Bluffs; the Rev. Henry Adams, to Independence; and the Rev. William Wright, to Waverley.

The four lay missionaries employed were candidates for orders from the Philadelphia Divinity School, and licensed by the Bishop as lay readers. They were engaged during the summer in various parts of the Diocese, under the general direction of the Rev. Mr. Rambo.

The Rev. Hale Townsend, on account of failing health, was obliged for a time to suspend his labors. He has since returned to Davenport, where he is engaged in pastoral work in the Bishop's church and in teaching some of the classes in Griswold College.

The Rev. Jacob Rambo is doing a great work in New-Oregon and its vicinity. Prof. Brooke continues his services in Griswold College and at Rock Island. The Rev. H. C. Kenney remains at Cedar Falls, and the Rev. W. T. Johnson at Durant.

The Rt. Rev. H. W. Lee, D.D., under whose supervision these missionaries are laboring, gives the following interesting review for the year:

"The work of the missionaries of the American Church Missionary Society has, for the most part, been going successfully forward during the past year in the diocesan field committed to my Episcopal charge. The unfavorable effects of the recent war upon many of the parishes, in diminishing their strength and resources, are now passing away, and, with some exceptions, such parishes are in an encouraging and promising condition. As your missionaries are required to make their own reports, I shall not attempt to go into a detailed account of their respective fields and labors, especially as I am in somewhat impaired health, and am hardly equal to the task of preparing a lengthy communication. My own labors have been, to some extent, interfered

with by this same cause, though I have visited a large majority of the parishes within the year, besides bestowing considerable care upon the Diocese of Illinois, in the absence of its Bishop.

"Iowa is still a wide and needy missionary field, and it is to be earnestly hoped that the aid which has heretofore been kindly extended may be continued, and, if possible, increased. Should this be done, a large return may be confidently expected in due time. The work in Northern Iowa has been particularly successful under the blessing of the Lord of the harvest, and it is my sincere prayer that the generous and large-hearted layman of Pennsylvania, with whom it chiefly originated, may find an abundant reward for his liberality in the consciousness of having there begun a noble Christian enterprise, and in the assurance that much spiritual good has been accomplished in the name of Him who giveth the increase. The labors of the four candidates for orders from the Philadelphia Divinity School, sent out during the past summer through the same instrumentality, to which we are so much indebted, have been highly useful in the same portion of the Diocese. I at once licensed them as lay readers, under the general direction of the Rev. Mr. Rambo, and for several weeks they applied themselves most faithfully to their work, holding services at various points, looking up the scattered sheep, gathering Sunday-schools, and cheering many hearts that had long desired the valued privileges of the Church of their affections. Would it not be well if our theological students generally were accustomed to spend their vacations in a similar manner?

"I may here state that our diocesan institution, Griswold College, is in a promising condition, including the Branch Seminary for Young Ladies at Dubuque. We realize more and more the importance of the educational department of our missionary work, and we feel increasingly thankful that we have been enabled to secure for this purpose the very beautiful and valuable property which, as a Diocese, we now hold. Our great want, in this connection, is increased endowments for professorships, and we shall soon need an additional college building. Will not the friends of Western missions and of Christian education come again to our aid, and so carry forward toward completion the good work which, by their benefactions, we have commenced under the most cheering auspices. Most generous donations have been made to our institution during the past year, but our need is still urgent, and we trust that it will be speedily supplied.

“With sincere gratitude for the important assistance rendered to us by the Society, and hoping that those intrusted with its management may not become weary in well-doing, I close my brief and inadequate report with an extract from my address to our late Annual Convention :

“I am thankful to state that, upon the whole, the Diocese is making progress, though I am far from being fully satisfied with what we have done. It is now almost thirteen years since the organization of the Diocese, and certainly the Lord hath been mindful of us, and given us His blessing. The time of my own connection with the Diocese is less than twelve years, but I have been permitted to see a degree of advancement that affords great encouragement, while I am deeply sensible of my own shortcomings, and of the need of more earnest efforts on the part of us all to lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes in the important field committed to our care. A fearful responsibility rests upon us, both in laying the foundations of our Church here, and in rearing the superstructure. Let us ever see to it that we build upon that Foundation other than which no man can lay, and that we ourselves grow unto a holy temple in the Lord, being builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit. Let us adhere with consistent tenacity to the distinctive principles of the Church of our love, while we proclaim and sustain the simple Gospel of Jesus Christ. Avoiding all ritualistic extremes, let us go on in the good old ways of our fathers, and not endanger true spirituality and a sober piety by meretricious displays in divine service, and by indulging a morbid fancy for what is really foreign to our primitive and scriptural system. It is a good principle to avoid every thing in our Church, in any direction, which is unusual, and to adopt simply those customs and practices which are common, and generally approved by long and time-honored usage. Both rationalism and extreme ritualism are dangerous enemies to the faith once delivered to the saints, and it becomes us to be on our guard against them. A fictitious religion is a poor substitute for the pure Gospel, and is only better than no religion at all. That which the Church holds, and which she would transmit through all the ages, is the faith of Christ crucified, in its original unmixed, unadulterated form, as set forth in the inspired Word as taught by Apostles and apostolic men, and as held in those primitive times when Christians were of one heart and one mind, and before they were “corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.” Let us ever stand by this

faith, and labor for its extension, here and everywhere, and we shall enjoy the divine benediction.' ”

DAVENPORT—REV. R. D. BROOKE, D.D.

“Since September last I have preached every Sunday at Rock Island, Ill., with the exception of three or four. The church has been closed during that time but one Sunday. There have been ten baptisms, (four adults,) five confirmed, one married, six deaths; present number of communicants, thirty-six; ten added during the year, and ten removed; seventy Sunday-school scholars and ten teachers.

“The parish continues to prosper, the attendance increases gradually, and by patient labor the congregation will undoubtedly ere long become self-sustaining.

“The church building having been erected on leased property, and the lease being out in about a year, it will be necessary to build again. For this purpose, a lot and stone have been given, and there are subscriptions amounting to nearly two thousand dollars. Could a like amount be obtained from abroad, a building adapted to the increasing population of the city would be erected without a cent of indebtedness.

“The parish at Rock Island has had a hard struggle even to keep alive, and now there are only two or three male members that take an active interest; but, as has been said, there is much to encourage. A little help bestowed now to aid in the erection of a suitable place of worship would greatly increase its strength. In a circuit of ten miles, making Rock Island the centre, it is estimated that there is a population of thirty thousand. Add to this the fact that great improvements are being made at the military post on the island, that there is to be the great depot and manufactory of arms of the country, and the importance of having the church well established is magnified.

“If in the above report the Sunday-school seems to have fallen off, it is owing to the fact that the time of holding it has been changed. When it was held in the afternoon, many children from the Methodist and other schools attended, theirs being held in the morning, at which time ours is now held. Many parents in this country allow their children to go from school to school, which is a great disadvantage. Those that now attend ours go nowhere else.”

DAVENPORT—REV. HALE TOWNSEND.

“I am very sorry that in this annual report I can tell you of so little work done. The past year has been, with me, one spent chiefly in efforts for the recovery of health, in order that I might be restored to active labor.

“The vacation of six months, which the Committee generously allowed me, began in March, 1865, when (the church at Waverley being ready for use) I left my missionary field. In the course of the summer I removed to Davenport, the Bishop having kindly offered me a room in the college, and an opportunity of being useful by superintending his Sunday-school and teaching some college classes. I soon after went East for medical advice, intending to return in the autumn. My physicians there, however, advised me to remain through the winter, and having made an arrangement with another clergyman for taking my duties in Iowa and my salary, I did not return till the fifth of May.

“Since that month I have been engaged in teaching some classes in the preparatory department of the college during term time, in doing some pastoral work under an appointment as an assistant minister of the Bishop’s church, and in filling various secretaryships, which would otherwise have occupied the more valuable time of men in health. The occasional attempts that I have made to use my voice in the desk or pulpit have uniformly resulted in discouragement. This disturbs me the less, however, in view of the fact that the amount of pastoral work devolving upon me is fully equal to my strength.

“Our Sunday-school is, to a great extent, a mission-school, and may, with God’s blessing, be made the means of great good to the parents, as well as the children who are interested in it. The danger lying most immediately before us is that the little college chapel in which our services are now held will cramp us by its smallness before the much needed diocesan church can be built. Could our Bishop’s earnest desire be realized in the speedy erection of such church, the effect upon the college, and upon our work in this city, would be most important. May God graciously bring it to pass, is my daily prayer.

“Let me add a few words in regard to the college, as this is my first report since I have become familiar with its affairs. I might dwell upon the desirableness of its location, standing, as it does, on its high wooded bluff, almost in the geographical centre of this most beautiful of the trans-Mississippi cities, with its

ample grounds increasing in value every day; but it is more important that I tell you of the work that lies before it, and its need of more means in order to do that work well. The new term, to begin in September, will open, as we expect, with more theological students than ever before. Of candidates for orders, and those who are preparing to become such, we definitely look for no less than seven, one of whom will probably be ready for ordination in a few months. Some of these are from Iowa, others from Illinois, one from Minnesota, and another from far-off Dacotah, this last being the son of the noble pioneer missionary who is building the first house of worship in all that Territory.

"The General Convention thought, no doubt, it was sending missionary bishops a great way off when it divided the whole country beyond the Missouri among three; but it is an important fact, and one that all the friends of Griswold should remember, that this is practically the *nearest* church college to two of those jurisdictions.

"Next spring is the time set for the completion of one of our Iowa railroads to the headquarters of Bishop Clarkson, and I have already seen the cars bearing the mystic marks A. & P. P. R. R., which made me think of Bishop Randall, as a friend kindly interpreted them, Atchison and Pike's Peak Railroad.

"If, now, Griswold had the means which it ought to have; if, in addition to its large library, fine cabinet, and superior apparatus, it had a *number* of *endowed* professorships, and had its grounds improved by the erection of some professors' houses, or an additional college building, what a blessing it might be to half a dozen new and growing States and Territories! It will enter upon the next term stronger than ever for its work; but, while it works thoroughly, alas! it must work slowly, simply for the lack of means to do otherwise."

DURANT—REV. W. T. JOHNSON.

"I am reminded by the passing seasons of the duty of reporting progress as a missionary of your Society, which has so long aided me in my labors to sustain the Church of our affections in this difficult field. I am yet working on in hope—long deferred, indeed, yet encouraged by the present brightening prospects. Our annual spring change has settled down into a better state than we could hope for in view of the things then apparent. Our congregations have steadily increased, and are larger than they *have ever been*. We have never been able to sustain an evening

service for any length of time heretofore ; but at the beginning of harvest I determined to try the experiment, and thus far my hopes have been more than realized by large congregations. There is no other preaching, to be sure, in the place ; but at this very busy season so much increased attention is really encouraging. We have been able this year to keep up a good choir, and that has doubtless added interest to our services. Nearly all our accessions to the congregation were strangers to the Church and our Liturgy ; but many are now responding in the service and becoming attached to our mode of worship. In this respect we are sustaining our character as educators of the stranger in the ‘old paths where is the good way.’ And I feel that if we accomplish *only this* we are not laboring in vain. But our Sunday-school is not less a source of gratification and encouragement. Last year we could not sustain one for sheer lack of children among the families connected with the congregation. This last spring brought quite a number, and now we have more than forty regular attendants. Many of the old sources of discouragement remain, occasioned by the very small number of male communicants, there being but three of these, and they not able, if they were ever so willing, to contribute much toward sustaining the church. No doubt more may be done than has been, but time and patience and wise counsel are necessary to teach people to ‘give of such things as they have,’ where they have never been taught this scriptural rule of duty. Until they have learned this, and love to practice it, I know there is little dependence to be placed on any congregation. But with all other Gospel truths, it must be inculcated and taught. And as grace moulds the life into Christ, this virtue also will appear and bear fruit. I fear the Society has lost patience in waiting on this parish to help itself. But I have seen no period when I should have regretted it so much as abandoning it at this period of hopefulness.”

CEDAR FALLS—REV. H. C. KENNEY.

“In order that the work in which I am engaged under your direction may be properly understood, I have thought that those matters which are worthy to be referred to can not be more succinctly considered than under the two heads of things favorable and things unfavorable. (1.) Things favorable. Our church has been growing in the consideration of members of other communions. (2.) There has been an increase of *male* attendants at our services. (3.) More attention is paid to the responses of the

Prayer-Book. (4.) We have a large Sabbath-school with a good library. (5.) A cabinet organ has been purchased. (6.) Some seven hundred dollars are invested for the use of the church.

"While these are some of the pleasing features, the past has been a constant struggle with difficulties. (1.) In the spring, after a thorough and prayful canvass of the parish, only two candidates were found who were willing to come and stand on the Lord's side. (2.) Several of our leading families have already left or are preparing to leave this place. These losses in members have been more than made up; but these removals have prevented us from growing stronger. (3.) The desire of the parish to build has been hindered by a town misfortune, (the carrying away of its bridge,) by timid vestrymen, and by the few favorable responses to our appeal for aid.

"The cloud, however, I am assured, will pass away. Our town is rapidly growing; two or three manufactories are yearly being erected. We must work for the future through obstacles. We must press forward until we have a church of our own and become a self-sustaining parish. Besides my labors in Cedar Falls, I have held during the year past some twenty services in towns in the vicinity.

"It was my intention to have gone *prospecting* before this along the line of railway which runs to the westward. Illness in two Episcopal families residing where I should have gone has caused me to defer my visit.

"May God bless His Church here and everywhere!"

NEW-OREGON—REV. JACOB RAMBO.

"I still preach in three counties, but the most of my labors have been given to two stations—New-Oregon and Clermont.

"New-Oregon is still the principal village in Howard county. Here I have given six services on three Sundays a month. But Cresco, the new village rising on the railway, two miles distant, is destined to be a considerable town. That place will need soon one service on alternate Sundays. Most likely our new church for this vicinity will be built there. At present, the most of our members and their families are in and near New-Oregon.

"Here our work is still encouraging. We number some nineteen communicants, (eight confirmed last May,) and some eighteen families; but several of these are too distant to be often present at service here.

"Our responses and music are good, our Sunday-school is en-

couraging, and our attendance at church frequently large. I pray that we may grow in grace as well as in numbers.

"I visit two school-houses in this county, and preach monthly, near which I have members. These services are very well attended.

"In Fayette county, Clermont and Fayette are my stations. At the former a new parish was organized last March, under the name of 'Church of the Saviour.' The corner-stone of the new building was laid by the Bishop in May. Failing to get good brick, we are building of limestone. It will be of gothic, twenty-eight feet by sixty-one feet, including recess chancel. Owing to delay in getting out the materials, the walls will not go up till next spring.

"We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the handsome donation of five hundred dollars toward the new building from St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa. For the same sum we thank a warm friend of missions, a lady of Providence. To the Church of the Saviour, Providence, we are indebted for a beautiful communion set and baptismal bowl, to which we return our sincere thanks.

"Our congregations are large, our music and responses are excellent. Six persons were confirmed in May. We shall have our own Sunday-school soon. Our prospects are excellent. May the Lord bless our labors! I give them three services a month.

"Fayette needs more than one service a month. The church is not completed; our congregation is small and weak. But when West-Union and Fayette can have frequent services, both will become flourishing congregations. I baptized nine children at Fayette last fall, and four persons were confirmed in May.

"At Fort Atkinson, in Winnesheik county, I hold occasional services. I have eight communicants in that vicinity. In due time a small chapel will be needed there.

"I have lately made one tour into Mitchell county. I preached at Mossville, and baptized three infants. At West-Mitchell I preached, baptized one infant, and administered the communion to eleven persons.

"During the year I have travelled over one thousand eight hundred miles; preached and lectured about one hundred and thirty times; baptized four adults and twenty-two infants; visited scores of families; presented nineteen persons for confirmation; and distributed many tracts and books in four counties.

2. *New Laborers.*

"Your Society sent out last July the only reinforcements my present field has had since I entered it, three years ago. The three young men from the Divinity School, Philadelphia, have done an excellent work.

"Although their stay has been but two months, yet they have visited *five* new stations regularly once a fortnight, and others occasionally, holding services, and talking to fair, and at one point very large, congregations.

"Winnesheik, Howard, Mitchell, and Floyd counties have been rejoiced and cheered by their frequent services. Few of the places visited ever enjoyed more than one Episcopal service before, and some not even one.

"I regret their short stay, but trust that in due time they will return to the field, or that three other laborers will enter permanently upon the good work so well begun.

"(I trust the young men will report to you more fully.)

3. *Very much land yet to be possessed.*

"When I tell you that only three Episcopal clergymen are to be found in the ten most populous counties in Iowa north of the railroad running west from Dubuque, you will agree that we, as a Church, are not *half awake*.

"If all this large field were thoroughly preoccupied by other denominations, we might be somewhat excusable. But, alas! this is not true of the open prairies, if it is of the larger villages. There are whole townships (sparsely settled, indeed) without one minister or frequent services. Much has been done in every county; and yet there are dozens of dark corners which never see a missionary, never hear one sermon, and where there is no Sunday-school. This beautiful land is sadly marred by the immorality of its inhabitants. Shall the people not have more missionaries? Shall not every county have its own minister? Shall not every township have its church and Sunday-school? Let us have a favorable answer, and let us have it early."

WAVERLEY—REV. WILLIAM WRIGHT.

"My report embraces a period from April 1st of not quite six months. During this time I have held fifty-four public services, besides weekly prayer-meetings. There were six confirmed at Waverley in May, where there are now twenty communicants.

Since my coming I have lost four communicants, and as many families by removal, though as many communicants have been added by arrivals. I have held communion three times. In the Sunday-school at Waverley there is an attendance of twenty or twenty-five. The changing of our hour of meeting with the fall months, and the removal of Episcopal families, have somewhat diminished our numbers. At Nashua there is an attendance perhaps of forty children. There are seventeen families in connection with the church at Waverley, and seven at Nashua. I visit Nashua once a month. Here, though the number of Episcopal families is small, my congregation is mostly good, mine being the only religious services on the Sunday I spend there. Four weeks ago I went over on Sunday afternoon (returning to evening service) to Janesville, a village six miles south of this. There I preached to a crowded school-house, although there were but two Episcopal families in the place. I was asked to repeat my visit. Last Monday I took advantage of a parishioner's going to Clarks-ville, a town eleven miles north-west of this, to accompany him. Here I held service that same evening. About twenty were out. But my notice was very short, and the evening rainy and very dark. I found two Episcopal families at this place, and a good opening to make a regular appointment, as at present there is but one service held there of a Sunday, and not always that. A Methodist and a Presbyterian are the officiating ministers. It was hoped I would repeat my visits. The distance, the want of conveyance, and the need of keeping up full services at Waverley are the difficulties in the way of my complying with their request, though I think I shall endeavor to go over occasionally."

COUNCIL BLUFFS—REV. JOHN CHAMBERLAIN.

"Aggregate of statistics from January 1st to September 20th, 1866:

"Baptism, adults, three ; infants, none. Confirmations, six. Two communicants have removed, and ten have been added by confirmation and otherwise, making the present number twenty-six. I believe the Holy Communion has been administered in the church four times. The number of teachers and pupils connected with the Sunday-school has undergone no change. There are eight teachers and fifty scholars. I have buried four persons. Divine service has been held in the church seventy-eight times. Six families have become connected with the parish, and two

have removed, leaving the present number twenty-five. The average attendance upon the services has been about forty. This is not an accurate estimate, and is below rather than above the fact.

“In addition to the above, I am happy to be able to state that the parish is, through the influence of the Holy Spirit, greatly improving in certain respects which figures do not indicate. Where there was discord and ill-will, harmony and good feeling are springing up; where there was coldness and apathy, earnestness and energy begin to appear. The people contribute more freely of their substance for the support of Christ's cause at home and abroad. In short, I rejoice in frequent assurances that the good work is constantly progressing among us, though sometimes very quietly.”

KANSAS.

Kansas has been reënforced by five new appointments. During the first part of the year the parish at Wyandotte was occupied by the Rev. W. H. D. Hatton. Since that time it has been in charge of the Rev. Archibald Beatty. The Rev. J. N. Lee has taken charge of Manhattan, the Rev. Mr. Kendricks of Fort Scott, and the Rev. John Bakewell of Atchison.

The work in the old stations continues to prosper. At Burlington the Rev. W. A. Hickey, and at Lawrence the Rev. R. W. Oliver, are still laboring with great encouragement. At Topeka the Rev. J. N. Lee, in addition to the pastorate of Grace Church, is Principal of the Episcopal Female Seminary.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS H. VAIL, D.D., thus reports for the year :

“ATCHISON, KANSAS, Sept. 20, 1866.

“Our Annual Convention closed on Friday of last week, and the time for my annual report has come. In the address to the Convention, which will be soon published and in your hands, I give full particulars as to the condition of the several parishes, and the inviting opportunities in our missionary field.

“The immigration to Kansas has been very large this past season and still continues. It is computed that in the southern counties—two or three of them just below Fort Scott, on the neutral lands, that is, the lands just open for homesteads in the Indian country recently opened to settlers by treaty—some twenty-five thousand emigrants have fixed their homes. It is supposed by some that an equal number have gone out into the

western counties, into the rich valleys of the Republican and Smoky Hill and Solomon Rivers, just beyond Fort Riley and Junction City; while all over the other portions of the State already settled farmers in great numbers have purchased lands, and settled themselves and families on the various reservations which have been opened to sale and on the lands which have hitherto been held by speculators. It is impossible to form an accurate idea of the increase of our population. Some suppose it to have doubled since the cessation of the war. This, I think, is too large an estimate. It is very probable, I think, that at least a hundred thousand have been added to our population in the course of the past year. While travelling over the State this summer, I have seen the growth of our towns and the springing up of new towns and villages, and the evidence is everywhere presented that our population is becoming established, and that the inducements to settlers are very strong. A soil everywhere rich, a country everywhere well watered, furnish to stock-growers the very finest advantages; while the same facts, in connection with the opening of railroads in every direction through the State, invite the agriculturist, the mechanic, the merchant to a field whose rewards for industry are most liberal and sure.

“Now, shall we occupy the land? or shall we wait, as we too often have done, until the most promising openings shall be filled by others?

“We have now *ten* clergymen, Presbyters, canonically connected with the Diocese. Of these, five have added themselves to our missionary band since I took charge of the Diocese — the Rev. Mr. Bakewell, Rector of Trinity Church, Atchison; the Rev. Mr. Beatty, of St. Paul’s, Wyandotte; the Rev. J. N. Lee, of Grace Church, Topeka; the Rev. J. H. Lee, of St. Paul’s, Manhattan; the Rev. Mr. Kendrick, of St. Andrew’s, Fort Scott. These are now in their parishes at work, excepting the last mentioned, who has not yet removed from his parish in Ohio, although his letters dimissory have been received, but is engaged to be at Fort Scott about the middle of October. These gentlemen are all very valuable accessions to our clerical corps, and for them all, as for the brethren previously in the field, I thank God and take courage.

“But there are, in addition to the points where our present clergy are laboring, others equally important in reference to the extension of our Church and the influence of the glorious Gospel of our blessed Lord upon this young and growing State.

“This missionary work is one which requires, beyond all others, persistency and perseverance. Can the Society, over and above what it is now doing, appropriate five or six thousand dollars per annum, and keep up the appropriation year after year, until the real, positive fruits can be secured? What is ten thousand a year for such a State as Kansas? Just think of it. The Roman Catholic Bishop of this State receives for his work *in this State twenty-five thousand dollars a year from the single city of St. Louis*—this besides the large contributions from other parts of this country and from Europe. If we had the amount which that one city gives to him, what could we not do in scattering our missionaries, in opening and sustaining our schools, and in the various methods of influence and usefulness? Compare this with the trifle *which we now receive from all sources*, which is, exclusive of the Bishop’s salary, only three thousand five hundred dollars for the current year. Compare this with the amount *which we ask for*, which would bring up the total appropriations to about ten thousand dollars per annum. What shall we do? Is there no hope that something commensurate with the great necessity may be done?

“The two powerful antagonists to the Gospel in this part of our country are Romanism and infidelity. Of these, infidelity is not doing much in the way of proselytizing. But multitudes feel its spirit, and the result is practical indifference to all religion, associated with profanity and intemperance, and neglect of the house of God, and forgetfulness of the Lord’s day, and a supreme worldliness. But Romanism uses every effort to make proselytes; and in their churches, built in every town of any size, and their schools, taught by their Sisters of Charity in connection with every such church, they are accomplishing a vast work for the extension of their idolatrous system. The expenditures in that Church *in this one State in this one year*, including their mission, and the building of churches and the support of schools, and the outlay upon their great cathedral at Leavenworth City—one hundred feet in front by one hundred and ninety feet in length—can not fall much, if any, short of two hundred thousand dollars. Is it not time that we should awake to our duty and to the importance of the present hour?

“May God lead you to right conclusions, and put into the hearts of our people the disposition to be ready to give and glad to communicate, for the sake of Christ our Master, and for the sake of the souls to whom He has sent us to preach the Gospel!”

WYANDOTTE—REV. A. BEATTY.

“I send the accompanying report of my labors since the first of May, at which time my official connection with this parish commenced. For the six months previous, the church was closed, the Sunday-school and congregation scattered; and some of the communicants removed to other parts of the country. The whole aspect of the parish was discouraging. I am thankful to be able to say that there is some change for the better, and that the simple exhibition of divine truth, spoken in love, and attended by the influences of the Holy Spirit, has led some souls to consecrate themselves to Christ. The four persons who were confirmed were heads of families; one of them, the civil engineer of the county, is a man of education and high character. They entered upon their Christian profession with clear views of their own sinfulness, and of the all-sufficiency of the salvation provided for them. I have a good hope that in their life they will adorn the doctrine of Christ their Saviour. Several others offered themselves for confirmation, but I thought they did not fully understand the nature of the vows assumed in that rite, and I preferred that they should wait until another visit of the Bishop.

“There is an excellent opportunity for a school here in connection with the church. Several families desire me to instruct their children in the higher branches of education, and for want of such a school have sent their daughters to Romish schools.

“For a few hundred dollars a lot could be obtained, and a building put upon it that would accommodate, say, thirty scholars. But we have not the means to do it, nor have I a room for my books, which yet remain in the boxes in which they came here.

“I am deeply impressed with the importance of laying the foundation in a new parish and new Diocese like this, in such a manner that a vigorous and thoroughly evangelical body of communicants may be raised up, to carry on the work of Christ in this great West. This town is the terminus of the Pacific Railroad. The company are now building a round-house for locomotives, and have desired to build their machine-shops here also. The streets of the town are being graded, and there is a gradual increase of population. Two bridges are in process of erection across the Kansas River—one leading to Kansas City, in Missouri, and the other to the South-west. The business men here are looking forward to a large increase of trade when these bridges are completed.

“The great hope of the Church here will be the young, who are educated under Church influences. The majority of adults are persons who have left the older States to make money. Many of them care little for the means of grace; but they are anxious to educate their children, and are indifferent to whose congregation they belong. The Romanists are now building a large church here, and intend establishing a school, under the supervision of the “Sisters.” If we could only preoccupy the ground—(and six hundred dollars would enable us to do so)—it would be of incalculable benefit to our Church in this county and Diocese. The Bishop, while on his visit here two weeks ago, expressed his anxiety in reference to the immediate establishment of a school, and advised me to write to brethren in the East for help. I have hesitated to do so, because when I came here it was with the determination not to solicit assistance if possible. Now, however, there is no alternative. There is at present no select school in the town, and lots are comparatively cheap. If I have to wait a year or two, other denominations will take advantage of the favorable opening, and the value of real estate will be greatly advanced. Can you do any thing to help us? Will you speak of our wants to some of Christ’s beloved ones, whose hearts are ever open to such calls as this?”

LAWRENCE—REV. R. W. OLIVER.

“While we have many things to record to the glory of God of an encouraging nature during the past year, I have things to contend with of a discouraging nature also. Among the latter the unsettled and changing state of the population may be ranked. The number of communicants has been more than doubled since the commencement of the present ecclesiastical year; and yet, owing to removals to other portions of the Diocese, etc., the present number is but one third more than last year. Besides this, our Church missionaries have to combat the long and deep-rooted prejudices of a people ignorant of our services; and what is still worse, the indifference of many who profess to believe in the name of our Blessed Lord and Saviour. Many ‘seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ’s.’ Still I have not been without unmistakable evidence that the Holy Ghost has manifested His power in the conversion of some souls and in sanctifying and reviving others.

“And the number of those who either statedly or occasionally attend upon ‘the preached word’ has increased with the increase of our church accommodation.

“Two years and nine months’ residence in this State has but strengthened me in the opinion I at first expressed to you—that self-supporting parishes can only be the result of years of constant, faithful, and unwearied efforts. I am sure that much injury has been inflicted (without intending it) by any impressions made to the contrary. But in saying so I do not apply this to our Church efforts more than to the efforts of other religious denominations.

“The immigrants who are settling this part of the land are for the most part too poor, too careless, or, what is worse, often too Christless to help much in supporting the Gospel or erecting places of worship.

“If church edifices be already erected, they may be induced to attend occasionally, and afterward statedly, upon the ordinances of religion, and we can bring them under those blessed instrumentalities. The old settlers in this place are not less liberal than those of similar means in any other communities; but they are far from having recovered from ‘the spoiling of their goods,’ etc., during our national troubles.

“Fully impressed with this state of things, and that the best missionary efforts should be directed toward the training of the young mind in ‘the first *principles of Christ*,’ I set about the purchase of suitable grounds and the erection of a rectory and parish school-house. The Lord has enabled me this spring to look upon this as an accomplished fact. The parish school-house was built as a transept to the little chapel, so that, should a time arrive when more church accommodations would become necessary, by removing the wall which separated the school-room from the chapel, it could be made to answer the double purpose of school and church accommodations. This has already been done, and also a neat little recess chancel added to the chapel. This affords us a little more than double the room which we once had, and we can inclose one hundred and fifty persons in all. In all these improvements we have been generously helped from abroad, but have also borne a large proportion of the expenses at home.

“We still stand much in need of enlarged school and church accommodations. We will be under the necessity of either enlarging the chapel by another transept, or erecting a church edifice which would accommodate five or six hundred persons. One year after the latter could be accomplished you may look for a self-supporting parish. The parish school is filled and doing a good work.

"It is with a heart overflowing with joy and gratitude to God for what is accomplished that I do now, in reliance upon God the Holy Ghost, leave the future for time and eternity to the wise disposal of *Almighty Wisdom, Love, and Power.*"

ATCHISON—REV. J. BAKEWELL.

"In accordance with paragraph three in the general directions made by order of the Committee of the American Church Missionary Society, I beg leave to submit the following report :

"I entered upon my present field of labor in the latter part of the month of April, receiving my appointment, sent by the Society, a week or two later.

"When I came West, the parish of Trinity Church in this place, with which I am at present connected as acting rector, was in a completely disorganized state. For a year and six months there had been no regular services of our Church in this place. And, except upon the occasional visit of a clergyman, those Episcopalians who resided here had for that length of time been deprived of pastoral care, so necessary in this needy district, where religion is so much neglected, the cause of Christ considered of so little importance, and our Church in particular held in such disesteem.

"Since my arrival services have been held regularly with the exception of two or three Sundays.

"One of the first things undertaken by your missionary, in connection with one or two earnest workers in the parish, was the project of building an edifice in which to hold service.

"The room in which we at that time held and are still holding service was in many respects unfit for the worship of God.

"With a theatre above us, a jail fitted up in some rooms adjoining, and a drinking-saloon of the lowest description immediately below, we felt as if we could hardly do things 'decently and in order.' By the municipal law the saloon was opened every Sunday evening, and during service we were frequently annoyed by the carousals of those who were profaning God's holy day.

"As this was the only available place for holding service, and in fact the only room to be had, it is no wonder that our people were so anxious to provide for themselves another place of worship. After considerable effort the amount of \$7000 was raised for the erection of a church upon two valuable lots purchased by the parish some time since. We contemplate building a church which will cost when complete eight or nine thousand dollars. Some difficulty was experienced in obtaining a plan suited to our

wants and within the limit of our means. It seemed as if the architects in the East to whom we applied could not bring their ideas down to the level of the modest wants of a poor parish out upon the borders of civilization. To meet the want which pressed upon us so much, preventing our commencing the construction of a church, I went East for a few weeks, leaving the congregation in the care of the Bishop of the Diocese, who is at present residing in this place. I succeeded in obtaining a plan which met with the approval of the vestry. It is that of a building neat, substantial, and churchly, built of rubble masonry, and seating over four hundred people.

"The work has already commenced, and we hope to have the walls inclosed before the cold weather sets in.

"There is the nucleus of a large and flourishing church in Atchison, and when we have a place of worship attractive to those who are at present outside of church influences as well as to such persons as are accustomed to absent themselves from church on account of the least discomfort, I have no doubt but that the parish will grow rapidly. We have at present about twenty communicants, and the average attendance upon divine service is good. My official acts (excepting the Sunday services) have been very few. In a parish so new and in a community so unsettled as this a minister is not very often called upon to act in an official way.

"In looking back upon our progress here during the past few months, we have every reason to be thankful, and we can indeed 'take courage and go forward.'

SUMMARY.

Communicants in parish.....	21
Sunday-school teachers.....	8
" " scholars.....	63
Services since May 1st.....	27
Families, about.....	30
Average attendance.....	80 to 100
Population.....	5000"

TOPEKA—REV. J. N. LEE.

"Inclosed I send my report for the last year. I may add that during the summer we have seated and nearly finished our church—to accommodate not quite three hundred. The parish has during the year raised for various church purposes about one thousand dollars.

“Our vestry are interested and enterprising. They have during the year done much, and now have ordered from the East a furnace for the church, to heat it from the basement. Mainly by the ladies, a large reed organ has been put into the church.

“Our congregations are good, and there is, I trust, a good deal of earnest devoutness of heart and purpose and of faithful prayer among us. God grant us much increase in these things. The vestry have advanced my salary from the parish to five hundred per annum, beginning June 1st.

“They have still much money to raise to complete the interior and exterior arrangements of the church.

“P. S.—Our seminary, of which I am principal, is very prosperous. We have not yet opened our session, but every thing promises as finely as we could desire. It is well spoken of on all hands throughout the State, and we shall gather many of the daughters of other communicants as well as our own. We had three candidates for baptism out of the school last year, and one for confirmation, baptized previously.

“I wish to add as an apology for the lateness of my report that we have been afflicted by our Father in the loss of a little one out of our family, who was sick and died eighty miles from home, involving much time and travelling; and beside, I am much engrossed by large improvements being made in our seminary building and rectory, and have been totally *upset* thereby for two or three weeks.”

KENTUCKY.

The work in Kentucky has been confined to two stations. The Rev. J. E. Jackson was in charge of Owensboro until April 1st. The Rev. J. J. Page remains at Hopkinsville.

HOPKINSVILLE--REV. J. J. PAGE.

“My report will show that this church is indeed weak, and that nothing of a very decided character has been effected. Nor could it be expected in view of all the circumstances connected with the history of this parish, which had been in a languishing condition even before our national troubles commenced.

“Much the largest proportion of the congregation reside in the country, and some of them at a distance of six and seven miles; and in consequence of bad roads, rain, snow, heat, and cold are often not in attendance on the services of the church. There are in town only four families connected with the church. I

tried weekly services, but could only get out three or four persons, besides my own family; sometimes not any. Of the thirteen families connected with the parish, seven of these are divided, members of which belong to the various denominations. These facts I deem necessary to place before you. But notwithstanding all these unfavorable circumstances, I am of the opinion the church should be cared for. This is a town of about three thousand souls, and the country in which it is situated is one of the finest sections of Kentucky; and in this view alone, it appears to me, vigorous efforts should be made to extend the influence of the church, which I can but hope will in a few years, if cared for, be established on a permanent basis, both here and in the country.

"Though we have not during the past year added to the communion of the church, I am glad to inform you that a good deal has been done in one respect. The old rectory, which was a small and indifferent house, has been sold; the means accruing therefrom, with money raised by the ladies of the parish, together with funds sent me by friends in Louisville, a very large and comfortable building, with a large garden and yard, taking in the whole square on which the church building is situated, has been bought and paid for."

MARYLAND.

The Rev. O. Perinchief continues to officiate at Mount Savage.

MT. SAVAGE—REV O. PERINCHEIF.

"In making up my annual report for the A. C. M. S., I shall no doubt to some extent repeat my report of last year, for the work in this field admits of little variation. Though by the grace of God my labors have been uniformly continued, and we are able, in looking back, to feel that some progress has been made.

"For the year now closing I report 15 baptisms, 2 adult; 4 communions. I have not been able to organize any Sunday-school, for reasons as given in my last report. 3 marriages, 3 burials, 40 services.

"I have confined myself to the two stations Frostburg and Lonaconing. I hold a service and preach every Sunday afternoon, except that of the second Sunday in each month, at Frostburg. The interest here in our services has regularly increased. Our church building was very small, not accommodating more than seventy-five or eighty persons. All last year we felt the

need of enlarging it, but could not raise means sufficient for the work. This year the demand for increased accommodations became urgent. We took hold of the matter, and have succeeded in more than doubling its former capacity. The additions and improvements have cost about eight hundred dollars, one fourth of which was contributed in New-York. The ladies of the congregation held a fair, from which some four hundred dollars more were realized, and the balance has been subscribed.

"On the second Sunday of each month I hold a service and preach at Lonaconing. The interest in our services has here also increased; our church is always filled. Here and at Frostburg several are contemplating a personal communion with Christ in our church, but we have, owing to the prolonged illness of our Bishop, no episcopal supervision, and little can be done in the way of building up a church, visiting it only once a month. Most of the Protestant population of Lonaconing are Seotch, and therefore Presbyterian. They, however, have no church of their own, and our congregation is made up largely of persons who already belong to the Presbyterian Communion. We sustained a loss last winter in the death of Mr. David Hopkins, an aged and worthy member of our church there. For many years Mr. Hopkins had been a member of Christ, a consistent, respected, useful man. In a ripe old age, amid the regrets of all who knew him, on the 17th of last December he entered into rest.

"They are anxious here at Lonaconing for more frequent services, and if it were possible to have a clergyman divide his time between Frostburg and Lonaconing, much good could be accomplished.

"When I say I preach at Frostburg every Sunday afternoon, I ought to add, except those Sundays in winter on which it is impossible for man or beast to brave the mountain-roads and storms. On account of my work here at Mount Savage every Sunday morning, I am unable to go to Frostburg on Saturday night, so as to avoid road and storm on Sunday.

"The results for the year do not seem to be very grand, yet have they not been accomplished without considerable labor. When I said my labors had been confined to Frostburg and Lonaconing, I spoke rather with reference to services and preaching, for I have preached once at Accident, thirty miles west. I go sometimes a great distance to a funeral, or to baptize a person; to one baptism of an adult, twenty miles; to one funeral, twenty-six miles, on horseback, through cold and snow. Many visits, too,

result in nothing that can be placed under any statistical head. All we can do is to labor according to ability and opportunity, leaving results with God."

MASSACHUSETTS.

The parish at Fitchburg, under the care of the Rev. H. L. Jones, will this year become self-supporting. The health of the Rev. Mr. West did not allow him to continue his labors at Martha's Vineyard. Since his resignation that station has not been occupied.

FITCHBURG, REV. H. L. JONES.

"As this is probably the last annual report as a mission under the care of your Society, I add the sum total of work accomplished since the opening of the mission.

"Your missionary commenced his work in Fitchburg on the fifth of April, 1863. The first service in Fitchburg was held a few months previous, and, under different officiating clergymen, services were regularly held up to the time of my taking charge. The communicants at that time were fourteen in number. About two months after the Sunday-school was started with fourteen scholars. On the seventh of October, 1863, the parish was organized under the name of Christ Church.

STATISTICS UP TO THE PRESENT TIME.

Families enrolled	72
" removed	16
" present number	56
Baptisms	56
" adults	25
" infants	31
Confirmed	61
Communicants enrolled	101
" " removed	21
" " present number	80
Marriages	15
Burials	31
Sunday-school scholars enrolled	105
" " removed	25
" " present number	80
" teachers enrolled	18
" " removed	5
" " present number	13

“Regular services have been held in Fitchburg twice every Sunday, and a third service (mission) at some point within a radius of five miles on every third Sunday. Our Sunday services have been held in the Town Hall, and weekly services during the fall and winter in one of the halls belonging to the Sons of Temperance. The larger proportion of the parish possess but little pecuniary ability, and those having wealth have felt so much responsibility resting upon them with reference to the establishment of our own church, that we have not commenced to do our share in general missionary work.

“From \$150 to \$200 a year have been subscribed to missionary objects aside from our own expenses. Various causes, arising from the financial state of the country and trials peculiar to our own portion, have retarded our church work. A parish struggling along with no abiding home, now in one hall and now in another, with no regular seats, and lacking those surroundings which add so much to the impressive character of our own forms of worship, leads at best but a precarious existence, and has need of more than an ordinary share of grace in order to attain to Christian vitality.

“Land has been purchased and deeded to the parish. The foundations of a church edifice, to be built of granite, have been laid, and another year will no doubt see its completion. During the last few months death has taken from among us several of our most active helpers.

“How many of us who remain shall be privileged to worship in the new church, God only knows.

“May His grace so direct our hearts that none may be missing in that ‘temple not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.’

“I close this report regretting not to be able to indicate more rapid progress, but still hoping and believing that, by God’s blessing, your liberal efforts will ere long be rewarded by the success of the work here commenced.

“P. S.—I ought to mention the fact that the next year will be the most trying, pecuniarily, for the parish.

“We have no right, however, to urge a claim for any further aid.”

NEVADA.

The work in Nevada during the past year has been somewhat interrupted by divine providences. At the date of our last report the Rev. H. D. Lathrop had just resumed the rectorship of St.

John's Church, Gold Hill; the Rev. W. H. Dyer was laboring in Washoe Valley; and the Rev. Franklin S. Rising was in active duty, as heretofore, in Virginia City. Services in Dayton were being kept up by Messrs. Lathrop, Dyer, and Rising; but during the year the work has been retarded in every place but Gold Hill.

VIRGINIA CITY.—Ill health compelled the withdrawal of the Rev. Mr. Rising in February last; since then a Sunday afternoon service has been maintained by the Rev. Mr. Lathrop.

GOLD HILL.—The earnest and faithful labors of Mr. Lathrop have been crowned with abundant success. The Sunday-school and congregations in spite of many removals, have been flourishing. With the aid of liberal friends in the Atlantic States all legal claims upon the church edifice have been satisfied.

DAYTON.—A large part of the town was burned down some months ago. The work there has been, for the present, discontinued.

WASHOE CITY.—The Rev. Mr. Dyer is laboring there with much self-denial, and in face of many discouragements.

The Rev. F. S. Rising, who has been connected with this mission since its inception, has been compelled to resign on account of his health.

The Rev. H. D. Lathrop succeeded the Rev. O. W. Whitaker at Gold Hill, in the autumn of 1865. After Mr. Rising's resignation, Mr. Lathrop also took charge of Virginia City.

The Rev. W. H. Dyer is settled at Washoe City.

The church in Gold Hill, through the liberality of friends in the East, is now free from debt.

GOLD HILL—REV. D. H. LATHROP.

"It gives me great pleasure to inform you that my vestry have determined to increase my salary fifty dollars per month from first July; and that thus, so long as I continue in charge of the parish at Virginia, at least, I shall need no assistance from the American Church Missionary Society. In thus parting from you, I trust you will accept for yourself and express to the Executive Committee of the Society my most sincere and heartfelt thanks for the liberal manner in which I have been treated by you and them, and that you will be assured, that in withdrawing from any official association with you, I shall not cease to labor both in my ministerial and private capacity to advance the interests which you represent.

"I herewith transmit my report to June 1st. I know it should

have been sent earlier, but this has been a busy month with our fair, and its consequences in the way of settlements, etc. I send only statements of the work in Gold Hill. In addition, I have preached in Virginia every Sunday at two o'clock P.M., and have performed other ministerial duty there. I have preached once at Carson, and officiated at one burial there. Mr. Rising is still at the Sandwich Islands. Our last advices from him were not favorable to any thing like a speedy restoration to health. His six months' leave of absence will expire in August. The parish in Virginia is much weakened by removals and depreciation of the value of property. A fire there, two weeks since, destroyed not less than a quarter of a million.

"Mr. Reilly is still away from Carson, though his people think there is some prospect of his return. Mr. Dyer has left Dayton, and is again in Washoe Valley, working as faithfully and conscientiously as ever. A fire yesterday destroyed about three fourths of Dayton. It will not soon, if ever, be rebuilt, and the prospect of establishing our church there has passed away. So much for the established parishes outside of my own.

"Here at Gold Hill there is some evidence of vitality, and very much has lately occurred to manifest a very strong interest in and affection for St. John's Church. Our fair was a complete success, not only as to the sum raised, but in the feeling evinced, and the social pleasures given and received. We cleared two thousand nine hundred and thirty-four dollars and forty-seven cents, and our most sanguine expectations beforehand did not go above one thousand five hundred. We are waiting anxiously to hear from Mr. Whitaker, as to what he has been able to do for us in the East. The vestry will make a most earnest effort to liquidate the entire amount. I think we shall succeed.

"A good many regular attendants at church and stanch friends have left us within the last three months, and my congregations have lessened somewhat in the last month especially. The Methodists have a pretty popular preacher who has gathered a small congregation, and may be has taken a few from me. He is building a nice, cheap, sensible little church, and will get through without debt."

OHIO.

The Rev. W. C. French continues at Oberlin.

OBERLIN—W. C. FRENCH.

“Matters are very encouraging with us, and although we never can expect to have much permanent growth in a community made up so very largely of students, yet the accessions even here have been considerable, and we trust still more in the parishes to which students have returned after one or more year’s sojourn here. Since I commenced my missionary labors here, *eighty* persons have been confirmed, and the *ten* communicants with which we commenced have increased to *one hundred and thirty-nine*, though there have not perhaps been more than forty at any one time near enough to be in actual attendance. There have been *fifty* baptisms in the same period.

“But these we consider the poorest indication of the importance of the work. To have succeeded at all in establishing our institutions in a place where it was thought nothing but ‘Oberlin Congregationalism’ could live, and to have *so* established them that, in place of the hostility, founded on misconception, which at first existed, there is now nothing but the most kindly and even cordial feeling; to have made our beloved Church respectable in the eyes of thousands of young people, who came here supposing we were about as bad as any religionists possibly could be, and to have these thousands go back to almost as many hamlets and country villages, where our Church was entirely unknown, and there remove prejudices, and thus prepare the way for further missionary labors in numerous localities, your missionary can not but think a work which repays all the pecuniary expense which has been or will be bestowed upon it.

“I have at present two young men preparing for the ministry, and clerical brethren, who have recently been here, assure me that they are confident this mission will in time, if carried on judiciously and temperately, furnish more candidates for the holy office than any other single parish in the land.

“Under these circumstances your missionary can not but hope that the Executive Committee will review and reverse their decision not to extend aid after this year.”

TENNESSEE.

In East-Tennessee the Rev. L. N. Voigt continued to labor under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Humes, the District Secretary, until July 1st. This part of the work was wholly itinerant. The Rev. Samuel Ringgold remains at Clarksville.

WEST-VIRGINIA.

Two missionaries have been at work in this field: the Rev. Mr. Curtis at Weston, and the Rev. Mr. Jacobs at Charlestown.

WESTON—REV. J. M. CURTIS.

“I send you a report of my missionary work for the past year. It is not as full as I would like to have had it, but I think I will be able to do better another year. I have preached in this place regularly, and have had usually a good attendance. I think the congregation has increased during the year.

“The Sunday-school during the winter was in a very flourishing condition, the average attendance being seventy-nine scholars with twelve teachers. The attendance during the summer has not been so good, owing, I think, partly to the suspension of the school for a short time while the church building was being repaired, and partly to change and irregularity of teachers. I believe we will be able to revive our school again, and that it will be again in a flourishing condition. I am led to this belief by the fact, that our church building being repaired, we can keep up the school regularly; that we have secured the services of some new teachers whom we believe to be efficient; and that we have procured funds to purchase a new library, which will add to the interest of the school.

“I am encouraged by the attendance and attention of my colored congregation, and hope for good results. I have gained their confidence and respect, and trust that my influence among them may be for good. We have improved our church building very much by plastering, papering, and painting. We have some funds on hand which we expect to expend in carpeting and purchasing a cabinet-organ. We have been able to procure by different means something over six hundred dollars toward repairing and furnishing the church. I have received about two hundred dollars from the congregation toward my support. I think the contributions will be increased next year, but I do not suppose the parish will be self-supporting. Some of our citizens, who would contribute liberally if they were able, are prohibited by the

laws of the State from practising their professions, and therefore are not in a condition to give much, and may be compelled to leave the State in order to gain a livelihood.

“The prospect of the station is encouraging, and it should be kept up. The spiritual condition of the parish is not very good; but I believe that God will bless my labors, and will give us a time of refreshing from the Lord. I have endeavored to preach Christ and Him crucified, and I believe the seed that has been sown will spring up and bear an abundant harvest.

“*Glenville* is a new station. I was the first Episcopal clergyman that had ever visited the place. There are a few zealous members of the Church there who wish to have a regular pastor. They propose building a small church building; which they can do with the aid from abroad of about five hundred dollars, and getting, if they can, a pastor who, in addition to his parochial work, would take charge of a small school.

“I think the station ought to be kept up and the church people there encouraged. The congregation is very good, and, I think, if the church services were kept up there, a number of persons would connect themselves with the Church. If they can not do better, I will give them an occasional service.

“There are many places in the adjoining counties where they have but little preaching of any kind. And the people are well disposed toward an Episcopal clergyman. If a missionary could be sent out who would itinerate in the country south-east of this, I believe he could do a great deal of good. He would find places where the Gospel sound is seldom heard. I have thought it best to confine my labors to Weston, in order that it may be made a self-supporting parish, and that it may be able to make headway against the superstition that so greatly prevails here. Clarksburg, where I preached for seven months after I received my appointment from the Society, has become a self-supporting parish, with a faithful pastor, who, I have no doubt, will soon make it a strong and growing parish.

“P. S.—I would add that the means that we have raised for the repairs of the church have partly been procured from abroad, and partly by the ladies, by the means of suppers, etc.”

CHARLESTOWN—REV. W. F. M. JACOBS.

“I inclose herewith my annual report for the year ending first of September.

“The month of September, with part of October and part of

November, was spent in negotiating for a separate diocese for West-Virginia, and in collecting money to repair the parish church at Charlestown. In the latter enterprise I succeeded to the full extent of my anticipations.

“Our services were again interrupted in March (twenty-four days) by an attack of illness, from which I have not yet fully recovered. I expect, however, to return to the parish as soon as I am advised of the resumption of navigation on the Kanawha river.

“The church building has been under repairs ever since the Bishop’s visit. This work has been unavoidably delayed, partially by want of material, etc., which could not be procured, owing to the low water in the Kanawha.

“The condition of this field is encouraging. The congregations continue to increase in numbers and interest up to the time our services closed. The Sunday-school is kept up and is flourishing.

“How much the congregation will contribute to my support next year I can not now state, but will inform you as soon as practicable. But for the total failure in the crops and the general depression in business they would do much better than they did last year.”

THE MISSION TO CITY ISLAND, NEW-YORK.

Special funds having been contributed for this purpose, the Committee appointed the Rev. W. V. Feltwell to the charge of the work. He continued his labors for the Society until the first of July, and thus reports :

CITY ISLAND—REV. W. V. FELTWELL.

“I began May 1st, 1865, and ended November 1st, 1865. General Wessels was in command ; the One Hundred and Forty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, Colonel Dana, guarding the rebel prisoners. General Wessels was very strict, and did not permit me to see them (2400 in number) until I served some time among our own soldiers. Hart Island is only a rendezvous, consequently my report must necessarily refer to those with whom I had but a short acquaintance, excepting the rebel prisoners, the One Hundred and Forty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, and the Fifth New-York Volunteers, which regiments were detailed as guards. The only way, and a very blessed one I had to reach these troops, as they came and left every few weeks or days, was by the very suitable books, tracts, and papers sent me by the Commission

This reading matter was eagerly sought by both our men and the rebels; many would sit down and read at once. It was truly encouraging to witness their earnestness. There was no fit place for a chapel; and whenever I thought it wise, I would go into the different barracks and hold services. At the bedside of the sick I was the most welcome. While directing the sufferers to a sympathizing Saviour, I witnessed many melting hearts. After my work for the Commission ceased, we lost more men than at any other time, principally by fevers; almost all the remains were sent to New-York City, and deposited in Laurel Hill Cemetery. I was finally permitted to visit the rebels, who were remarkably eager to see me. I gave them whatever I had to give our own men. The most marked attention was paid me when I preached to them, collected around the old well in the centre of the prison inclosure. A body of men starving *could not* have been more eager for bread than were these men for gospel truth. The only way I could obviate being crowded down when distributing reading matter was to ask them to form in a line. A respect for me always commanded their obedience. When leaving them I had frequently to promise certain very eager ones to bring them certain tracts, etc. Their hospital was erected outside of the prison.

When disease took hold of them, this, with depression of spirits and previous debility while in the field, proved fatal.

"I am satisfied that great numbers of men, loyal and rebel will meditate upon Hart Island, and bless God that there was a Christian Commission."

REPORT OF THE REV. R. J. PARVIN, TEMPORARY AGENT.

"I beg leave to report that, in pursuance of my engagement with you to present the claims of the American Church Missionary Society as time and circumstances would permit me I have visited, made addresses, and had collections in Nativity Church, Church of the Mediator, Church of Atonement, Philadelphia; St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.; St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg, Pa.; Christ Church, Cincinnati, O.; St. John's Church, Clifton, O.; and Christ Church, Baltimore, Md. I also arranged for a meeting and collection in the Church of the Covenant Philadelphia, which meeting was addressed by Bishop Vail; and for meetings in St. John's Church, Providence, and the church in Westerly, R. I., to be addressed by Rev. D. Otis Kellogg.

"The meetings in Cincinnati and in Baltimore were union meetings, that is, meetings in which a number of the rectors of the two cities respectively were present and participated.

"I have written some forty letters, to as many clergymen of our Church, on the claims, etc., of this Society, seeking to enlist their increased interest in its behalf.

"The work has been one of pleasure to me, as contributing to the good work of our Society. The results will be of some little service, I trust, to the cause so well represented by the Society. My labors for the Society have been brought to a close earlier than was anticipated when I engaged in it, by reason of necessary arrangements for an intended absence from the country for a season.

"I am satisfied that our American Church Missionary Society has a strong hold upon the affection and confidence of the Evangelical portions of our Church. I am equally well satisfied that the Society needs the services of a faithful representative, who will devote his whole time to its interests among the clergy and laity of our parishes.

"I trust that the Executive Committee will be able to find and secure such a representative without much delay. The expenses of supplying my pulpit and meeting my travelling expenditures during journeys for the Society have been met by the generous liberality of a member of my parish.

"Invoking God's blessing on the Society, that its work may be greatly enlarged,

"I remain, most truly and fraternally yours,

"ROBERT J. PARVIN."

CONCLUSION.

Such has been for the past year the work of the Committee to reach the wants of our household of faith.

Once again it is their high privilege, solemnly and with the prayer of faith, to commend their whole work thus completed to God, and to implore His gracious blessing thereon.

At this the Seventh Annual Meeting of the Society they have thought it might be interesting and profitable to recall the principles and purposes with which the Society entered upon its career, and also to recount briefly its history thus far.

For many years there had been a deep-seated and growing dissatisfaction with the action of our general ecclesiastical organization. This dissatisfaction expressed itself from time to time through the press, and in various public meetings called expressly

to consider the best interests of the Gospel in our Church. Different expedients were tried with the hope that they might meet the views and wishes of brethren, and thus avoid the necessity of any separation from existing organizations. Ten years and more elapsed while these vain attempts were being tried, thus showing conclusively that our Society was not the result of sudden excitement or of a captious spirit, but rather of deep conviction, and of mature and prayerful deliberation.

In the language of the First Annual Report: "The American Church Missionary Society originated in the desire and purpose of a large portion of the Evangelical Clergy and Laity of the Episcopal Church in the United States to direct and manage the interests of Gospel Missions, for which they rejoiced to contribute, according to their own principles, and by their own views of truth and duty." On the twenty-eighth of February, 1860, the first preliminary meeting having reference to the formation of a new Society was held in the Church of the Ascension, New-York. On the eleventh of April of the same year, a second meeting was held in the same place, at which more than sixty clergymen and laymen were present, and when between sixty and seventy letters were received from clergymen and laymen expressing their individual views and the views of their parishes upon the subject under consideration. A free and lengthy discussion took place, and the result was as follows: "That in the judgment of this meeting the voluntary principle in the missionary work is the true one, and that a committee be appointed to consider and report at a future meeting what action may be necessary to carry out this resolution, either by the organization of a new voluntary society or societies, or by the modification of any existing society." A third meeting was convened on the ninth of May following, more numerous attended than either of the preceding ones. At this meeting the committee previously appointed made a report embracing a constitution for a new Missionary Society, with the following resolution: "*Resolved*, That the interests of the cause of Evangelical truth in our country render necessary the immediate formation of a voluntary and independent Missionary Society." After a prolonged discussion the report of the committee was adopted.

Thus it will be seen that after much delay and the utmost deliberation the American Church Missionary Society was organized. This action of the brethren has been most severely criticised. By some it has been denounced as schismatical and revolu-

tionary. By others it has been regarded as uncalled for and unwise. But after a calm review of the whole subject the Committee are more than satisfied that the action was wise and timely; that it was but the exercise of that liberty which the Gospel and our Church give; and that it was but a return to the original theory of our own communion, and in perfect accordance with the entire action of the Church of England in all her missionary and educational organizations for more than one hundred and fifty years. They feel that the Society is based upon a true principle, a principle which in its operations affords a full liberty of thought, of feeling, and of sympathy, and yet so conservative as to unite and concentrate the efforts of its individual members upon the great objects and interests which may come before it. The organization of the Society is complete. It has a Charter, so comprehensive in its scope and so ample in its provisions as to embrace any and all the interests which it may be necessary to consider. Its Constitution is simple, and can be easily modified to meet any exigencies which may arise. Each year the committees report directly to the members of the Society, and therefore may be expected to carry out the wishes and intentions of those who contribute to its funds. It is an association of brethren who agree in sentiment, and who desire to act in concert and in harmony. It is not easy to see how any organization can be more simple, more free, or more effective. But it needs, and its friends should ever pray, that the Holy Ghost would breathe into all its membership the breath of a spiritual life, that He would inspire a self-sacrificing zeal and a burning devotion; then will the Society become a shining light in the world, and a great power in the Church of God.

During the first year the Society did little more than complete its organization. It was not prepared to use, and therefore did not ask for funds, and yet nearly four thousand dollars were voluntarily contributed to its treasury.

The second year the Society engaged to a limited degree in missionary work, and received some \$18,000 and expended about \$11,000. This year was marked by the death of the Hon. N. G. Pendleton, of Ohio, one of the Vice-Presidents of the Society; and the death of the Rev. Henry Anthon, D.D., the first Chairman of the Executive Committee. In the third year there were twenty-eight missionaries employed in nine States and Territories; the receipts were over \$11,000, and the expenses over \$12,000.

During the fourth year thirty-eight missionaries were employed,

nineteen thousand dollars were received, and eighteen thousand dollars were expended; more than four thousand dollars in foreign work, through the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions. In the latter part of this year the preliminary steps were taken for establishing the mission in Hayti. The Society suffered a great loss in the removal from this world of the Rev. Benjamin C. Cutler, D.D., a member of the Executive Committee.

In the fifth year forty missionaries were employed, the receipts were \$26,566, and the expenditures about \$25,000. Much interest was awakened by the visit, in behalf of the Society, of the Bishop of Delaware to Hayti, and his report upon the condition and prospects of that mission. The friends of the Society were also much encouraged by the successful progress of the mission to Nevada.

In the sixth year the receipts were over \$39,000, and the expenditures were \$24,000, of which over \$5000 were for the Hayti Mission, and nearly \$4000 were expended in other foreign work under the care of the Foreign Committee. Of the receipts, \$10,000 were a special contribution from a member of St. Mark's Church, New-York, for the endowment of a Professorship of Divinity in Griswold College, Iowa. This endowment is to be held in perpetual trust for this purpose, and thus is recognized the educational feature in the operations of the Society. Within this year Rear-Admiral Samuel F. Du Pont, the second President of the Society, was taken to his rest. During the anniversary meetings in Philadelphia, the Rev. Lot Jones, D.D., a member of the Executive Committee, was suddenly removed from this world.

During the year just closed the number of Missionaries employed has been about forty. The receipts have been fifty thousand dollars, and the expenditures something over fifty thousand dollars. By direction of the Society at the last annual meeting, the mission in Hayti has been transferred to the care of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions.

From this brief record it will be seen that the progress of the Society has been such as to encourage the hearts of its friends. It will also be seen that one and another of its original founders and leading members have been removed. They have finished their work and entered upon their rest. Others will soon follow them. In a brief period this great work, commenced in faith and prayer, must be carried forward by younger hearts and more vigorous hands.

In rendering this annual account of their stewardship, and surrendering their trust to the Society, the Committee would

express their deep sense of gratitude to God for His blessing upon their labors, and the manifold encouragements which have been afforded them.

But they feel they should be wanting in fidelity did they not give utterance to their profound convictions as to the dangers which surround our Church and imperil the cause of Gospel truth. That errors of the most deadly character are prevalent and increasing must be apparent to all; and that unauthorized practices and ceremonies, intended to incorporate, embody, and perpetuate these errors, are abounding more and more, is equally plain. Two rival schemes are in conflict: the one, with its false teachings, its outward forms, its ritualistic display, would satisfy the unchanged heart, and lead our Church into a practical affiliation with Romanism; the other, holding fast to the word of God, would present the simplicity of the Gospel, the great atoning Sacrifice of Calvary, justification by faith, and would build up that Church which is founded upon apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ being the chief corner-stone.

Such the Committee believe to be the issue now before us. If this be so, then all who hold and love the truth should come together, and labor and contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. Minor differences should be forgotten, and one spirit should animate all hearts. We have our two societies. They constitute one machinery. They are competent to go everywhere, to enter every diocese and every parish. Upon Evangelical men, clergy and laity, rests the great responsibility under God of making these agencies what they should be. Shall their efficiency and power be increased? Will we unite in making them as perfect as possible, and in extending their influence over all the land? These are the questions we have to meet. They should be met and answered at once. It is for the members who are here present to act—to act soberly and in the fear of God. With a united action, with an earnest zeal, and with a single purpose, we may do much. We may rescue our Church from impending danger, drive away erroneous and strange doctrines, preserve the simplicity of the Gospel, and thus bring honor and glory to our Divine Lord and Master.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

THE Treasurer of the AMERICAN CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY presents the following statement for the year ending October 1, 1866 :

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year in Bank,	\$6,412 93
Received from Churches and Individuals,	49,999 45
U. S. Bonds on hand with Interest to October 1, 1865,	1,000 00
Amount in U. S. Trust Company, with Interest to Oct. 1, 1866, ...	4,883 06
Total,	\$62,295 44

PAYMENTS.

Missionaries and Missionary purposes,	\$25,809 45
Foreign Committee Board of Missions,	5,336 60
Griswold College, Iowa, from St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa.,	7,150 00
Investments in U. S. Bonds,	6,215 00
Paid directly without passing through the Bank,	3,339 79
Expenses for the year including Salaries,	3,253 58
To the Church in Gold Hill, Nevada,	3,123 20
Total,	\$54,227 62

Deducting the endowment fund of \$10,000 belonging to the Anthon Professorship of Griswold College, and the sums invested in Government Bonds, and with the United States Trust Company, which together amount to \$12,098.06, the balance on hand for the general objects of the Society was, on the 1st October, \$2184.76.

The expenses of the Society have been for the year \$3253.58, which is \$1305.99 more than last year.

RECAPITULATION.

Received,	\$49,999 45
Balance from last year in Bank,	6,412 93
U. S. Bonds on hand on 1st October, 1865,	1,000 00
U. S. Trust Company with interest to 1st October, 1866,	4,883 06
	\$62,295 44
Paid,	\$48,012 62
On hand,	14,282 82
	\$62,295 44

In Trust Company,.....	\$4,883 06
In Government Bonds,.....	7,215 00
In Bank and on hand,.....	2,184 76
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	\$14,282 82

The Society received the first year of its existence terminating October, 26, 1860,.....	\$3,733 41
The second year ending October, 1, 1861,.....	18,001 77
The third " " 1862,.....	14,449 53
The fourth " " 1863,.....	21,101 48
The fifth " " 1864,.....	26,566 87
The sixth " " 1865, aside from Griswold College Anthon Professorship trust,.....	31,097 77

AMOUNTS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR FROM DIFFERENT STATES.

Pennsylvania,.....	\$18,941 89
New-York,.....	15,945 12
Massachusetts,.....	2,991 74
Rhode Island,.....	2,596 65
Maryland,.....	2,507 08
New-Jersey,.....	2,455 08
Ohio,.....	1,566 54
District of Columbia,.....	1,035 70
Nevada,.....	692 50
Delaware,.....	127 72
Iowa,.....	79 48
Illinois,.....	56 40
Maine,.....	50 00
Alabama,.....	25 00
Connecticut,.....	24 00
California.....	20 00
Kentucky.....	10 50
Vermont,.....	10 00
Kansas,.....	8 75
Minnesota,.....	8 65
Missouri,.....	3 25

The undersigned Auditing Committee certify that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, compared the vouchers with the payments, and find the same correct, showing a balance on hand in cash this day of twenty-one hundred and eighty-six dollars and seventy-six cents; also on hand seven thousand dollars U. S. Bonds, and in the U. S. Trust Company four thousand eight hundred and eighty-three dollars and five cents.

STEWART BROWN, }
 FREDERICK T. PEET, } *Committee.*

NEW-YORK, Oct. 1st, 1866.

DETAILED RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS FOR THE YEAR
ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1860.

1865.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
Oct.	St. Matthew's, New-York, Foreign Missions,...			\$11 00
	Christ Church, Bellevue, N. J.,.....	\$26 20		
	Trinity Church, Newark, N. J., for Iowa,.....		\$122 14	
	Trinity Church, New-Oregon, Iowa, for Africa,			5 50
	St. John's, Elizabeth, N. J., for Bishop H. W.			
	Lee, D. D.,.....		121 00	
	Rev. W. H. Hill, Sacramento, Cal.,.....	20 00		
	C. H. Wevill, Trenton, N. J., ann. sub.,.....	3 00		
	— Pratt, Esq., Washington, D. C., ann. sub.,...	3 00		
	Rev. E. W. Syle, Pelham, N. Y., ann. sub.,...	3 00		
	Miss M. E. Stratton, Philadelphia, for Seminary			
	at Topeka,.....		30 00	
	Collection at An. meeting in Philadelphia,.....	115 89		
	Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Del.,.....	39 77		
	Christ Church, Germantown, Pa., special,.....		500 00	
	Dr. G. L. Rose, gen., \$40; Africa and China,			
	each \$25,.....	40 00		50 00
	Cash for Register,.....	6 00		
	Estate of Miss E. Macgruder, Georgetown,			
	D. C., for Kansas one half, for Africa one			
	half,.....		234 50	234 50
	St. Paul's, Brookline, Mass., for Bishop Vail,			
	\$150; Lee Seminary, Iowa, \$100,.....		250 00	
	St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain, Mass., for			
	Bishop Vail,.....		150 00	
Nov.	George A. Brown, Boston, for Bishop Vail,....		50 00	
	S. S. St. John's, Elizabeth, N. J., for Bishop			
	H. W. Lee, D. D.,.....		37 50	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa.,.....	1,364 53		
	St. Mark's, New-York, Diocesan Missions,.....		144 00	
	R. E. N., New-York,.....	50 00		
	Auburn, W. N. Y.,.....	1 00		
	S. S. Church Epiphany, N. Y.,.....	50 00		
	Church Messiah, Brooklyn, L. I., gen., \$20;			
	Rev. A. M. Wylie, \$20,.....	20 00	20 00	
	St Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., to const. Jay			
	Cooke, Dora E. Cooke, J. Cooke, Jr., L. E.			
	Cooke, S. E. Cooke, H. E. Cooke, L. Ms.,.....	600 00		
	E. F. Rogers, Branford, Ct.,.....	10 00		
	Church of Intercession, Carmansville, N. Y.,			
	part,.....	98 26		
	Rev. R. H. Newton, Sharon Springs, N. Y.,.....	10 00		
Dec.	Church Intercession, Carmansville, N. Y.,			
	addit.,.....	25 00		
	St. George's, New-York, Dios. Miss.,.....		350 00	
	Mrs. F. Parker, \$50; Miss Ewing, \$3; Wal-			
	tham, Mass.,.....	53 00		
	Christ Church, Waltham, for So. Clergy,.....		12 00	
	Christ Church, Waltham. for Freedmen's			
	Com.,.....		15 00	
	J. F. Sheafe, New-York, for Kansas,.....		200 00	
	St. Michael's, Trenton, N. J., to const. S. L.			
	Wilson L. M., and part payed tow. L. M. of			
	Rev. E. Appleton,.....	157 00		

1865.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
	Church of Mediator, New-York, for Kansas,...		\$73 00	
	U. S. Christ. Com. for Trav. Exp. Rev. H. D. Lathrop,.....	\$315 00		
	Mrs. Dr. Minor, Brooklyn, L. I.,.....	3 00		
	Christ Church, Walton, N. Y.,.....	5 00		
	Christ Church, Waverley, R. I., for endowm. in Kansas Epis.,.....		85 00	
	Rowse Babcock, Westerly, R. I., ditto,.....		500 00	
	Holy Trinity, New-York, for Bishop H.W. Lee, D.D.,.....		100 00	
	Rev. H. E. Kenney, Cedar Falls, Iowa, for Reg.,.....	25		
	Mrs. Lamont, Brooklyn, L. I.,.....	20 00		
	Trinity, Newark, N. J., for Bishop Vail,.....		91 00	
	Church of Mediator, So. Yonkers, N. Y., for Church Burlington, Kansas,.....		62 79	
	Church of Ascension, New-York, for Rev. Mr. Feltwell, \$25; Rev. Mr Millett, \$10; Church at Nyack, N. Y., \$50,.....		85 00	
	G. P. Allen, Woodbury, Ct., ann. sub.,.....	3 00		
	Mrs. G. P. Allen,.....	3 00		
	A. R. D. Bloomsbury, Pa.,.....	5 00		
	St. Stephen's, Wilkesbarre, Pa., \$55, for Dom. Com., \$20,.....	55 00	20 00	
	Miss Walker, New-York,.....	10 00		
	Mrs. J. D. T., Middletown, N. J., ann. sub.,.....	3 00		
	Christ Church, Brooklyn, L. I., in part,.....	800 55		
	"A," Phila.,.....	1 00		
	Christ Church, Cincinnati, O.,.....	70 00		
	St. Philip's, Philadelphia, For. Miss.,.....			\$25 00
	Mrs. W. Makepeace, Boston, ann. sub., Foreign, St. John's, Clifton, S. I., special, Bishop Vail,...		31 00	3 00
	St. Stephen's, Harrisburg, Pa., Foreign Mission, St. George's, New-York,.....	1,400 00		91 00
	Harcourt Parish, Gambier, O.,.....	27 50		
	Miss L. B. Arthur, N. Y., ann. sub.,.....	3 00		
	St. Paul's, Vergennes, Vt.,.....	5 00		
1866	St. Michael's, Trenton, N. J., for Kansas Epis.,		52 22	
Jan.	S. S. Church Mediator, So. Yonkers, addit. for Church at Burlington, Kansas,.....		53 90	
	S. S. Trinity Church, Boston: Africa, \$105; Scholarship, Cape Palmas, Africa, \$75,.....			180 00
	S. S. Stephen's, Harrisburg, Pa., for Cape Palmas, Emmanuel, Balt.,.....	311 50		64 98
	Mrs. L. D., New-York,.....	200 00		
	G. B. Johnson, Granville, O., to const. M. A. Johnson L. M.,.....	100 00		
	Rev. N. S. Harris, D.D., New-York,.....	10 00		
	Church Holy Trin., New-York, spec. for Kansas, St. John's, Elizabeth, N. J., for Bp. Vail,.....		284 63	
	Rev. H. D. Lathrop, Nevada, funds returned,...	692 50	175 00	
	St. John's, Providence, R. I.,.....	385 15		
	St. Andrew's, Pa., \$100 gen., \$100 for Burlington, Kansas,.....	100 00	100 00	
	A Member of St. John's, Elizabeth, N. J.,.....	500 00		
	D. Matthews, New-York, for Foreign Missions, Grace, Lawrence, Mass.,.....	30 00		10 00
	"A Vow," Foreign Missions, Africa,.....			5 00

1866.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
	Trinity, Bergen Pt., N. J., for S. S. in Nevada, ..		\$125 00	
	“ “ “ Mission House Gaubier ..		20 00	
	Emmanuel, Rockford, Ill., ..	\$1 00		
	Gen. W. Swayn, Montgomery, Ala., ..	25 00		
	Mrs. Governor Wilkins, Westchester, Co., N. Y., ..	25 00		
	Anthon Memorial, New-York, Foreign Miss., ..			119 50
	Mary W. Hard, Arlington, Vt., Soc., \$2; For.			
	Miss. \$2, ..	2 00		2 00
	Mrs. Snyder, Morrison, Ill., ..	5 40		
	Int. on “Anthon Endowment Fund,” ..		41 55	
	Calvary, Clifton, Ohio, ..	43 00		
	St. Mark's, New-York, Hayti, \$300; Africa,			
	\$100; China, \$100, ..			500 00
	“ G.,” Brookline, Mass., ..	200 00		
	Mrs. F. Vinton, R. I., for Miss. in Iowa, ..		1,000 00	
	E. D. Peters, Boston, Mass., ..	25 00		
	Miss. Assoc., St. Andrew's, Hanover, Mass., ..	70 00		
	“ “ “ “ “ For-			
	eign Missions, ..			120 00
	T. J. H. Eccleston, Great Choptank, Md., ..	7 00		
	St. Peter's, Smyrna, Del., ..	10 00		
	Anthon Memorial, New-York, to const. Rev.			
	T. A. Jaggard L. M., ..	181 01		
	Anthon Memorial, New-York, for Kansas Epis., ..		100 00	
	St. Stephen's, Harrisburg, Pa., For. Miss., ..			113 00
Feb.	Rev. W. H. D. Hutton, Jefferson City, Mo., gen.,			
	\$1.63; For. Miss., \$163, ..	1 63		1 62
	Church Ascension, N. Y., for Rev. Mr. Millett, ..		25 00	
	Anthon Memorial, New-York, S. S. in West,			
	for Bishop Vail, ..		36 70	
	St. George's, Flushing, L. I., Kansas Epis., ..		62 00	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., spec., for Iowa and			
	Kansas, ..		1,000 00	
	M. L. Bradford, Dorchester, Mass., ..	50 00		
	New-Dorp S. S., Staten Island, N. Y., for Iowa,		20 00	
	Grace Church, Mansfield, Ohio, ..	7 00		
	Christ Church, Christiana Hund., Del., for South-			
	ern Clergy, ..		20 65	
	Holy Communion, New-York, gen., \$200; Bish-			
	op Vail, \$200, ..	200 00	200 00	
	C. J. Carrington Westbury, Ct., ann. sub., ..	5 00		
	Trinity, Boston, Mass., ..	400 00		
	E. W. Humphreys, N. J., for Educat., Griswold			
	College, Iowa, ..		200 00	
	Interest on “Anthon Endowment,” ..		127 75	
	St. John's, Georgetown, D. C., ..	563 70		
	Miss. S. S. Christ Church, Germantown, Pa., ..		2 00	
	C. A. Winthrop, Owego, N. Y., ..	3 83		
	Ascension, New-York, general, ..	1,285 81		
	“ “ special, ..		1,000 00	
	Great Neck, Miss., S. S., L. I., gen., \$5;			
	For. \$5, ..	5 00		5 00
	St. Ann's, Brooklyn, L. I., ..	502 88		
	“ “ “ Foreign, ..			502 87
	Christ Church, Brooklyn, additional, ..	200 00		
	Mrs. L. A. Thomas, ..	4 47		
	Church of Incarnation, New-York, ..	310 00		
	L. M. Hard, Manchester, Vt., ..	1 00		

1866.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
Mar.	Grace Church Lawrence, Mass., for Freed-			
	men's Com.,.....		\$22 75	
	Legacy of Richard Potts, Frederick, Md.,.....	1,850 00		\$13 00
	Christ Church, Boston, Mass., For Miss.,.....		20 00	
	Zion, Freeport, Ill., for Nebraska,.....		138 00	
	Covenant, Philadelphia, for Kansas,.....			
	M. E. Bowers, North-Attleboro, Mass.,.....	5 35		
	Church of Nativity, Pa., L. M., W. B. Ridgely			
	and W. H. Brown,.....	150 00		
	“ “ “ for Burlington, Kansas,...		50 00	
	Rev. W. H. Newbold, Del., for Register,.....	40		
	“ J. R.,” for Africa,.....			5 00
	J. D. Wolfe, N. Y., for Church at Gold Hill,...		100 00	
	Church of Holy Trinity, New-York, additional,	215 37		
	St. Andrew's, Pittsburg, Pa.,.....	160 00		
	Church of Holy Trinity, Phila., gen., \$827.82,			
	Dom. Com. \$150,.....	827 82	150 00	
	Miss E. Murdock, gen., \$5, Cape Palmas, \$10,..	5 00		10 00
	St. Paul's, Manhattan, Ill.,.....	10 00		
	St. Paul's, Council Bluffs, Iowa,.....	7 70		
	D. C. Bloomer, “ ann. sub.,”.....	3 00		
	Memorial Church, Balt., Ind.,.....	85 00		
	Church Messiah, Rhinebeck, N. Y., Epis. Res.,			
	Kansas,.....		10 00	
	William Welsh, Philadelphia, for Church at			
	Burlington, Kansas,.....		100 00	
	Mrs. T. W. Riley, New-York,.....	50 00		
	S. S. Church Covenant, Philadelphia, for Church			
	at Junction City, Kansas,.....		695 00	
	“ H.” Minnesota,.....	8 65		
	“ A.” N. Y., For. Miss., \$5; Soc., \$5; Rev. Mr.			
	Hickox, \$20,.....	5 00	20 00	5 00
	J. Boulton, Cheltenham, Pa.,.....	100 00		
	Miss Boulton,.....	5 00		
	A. J. W., gen., \$20; For. Miss., \$20,.....	20 00		20 00
	Church of Covenant, Philadelphia, addit. for			
	Church at Junction City, Kansas,.....		167 00	
	Church of Mediator, Philadelphia, L. M., Rev.			
	J. Bakewell,.....	105 31		
	Rev. W. Babcock, Jamaica Plain, Mass., for			
	Register,.....	5 00		
	St. James, Pittsburg, Pa., F. R. B. for Thank-			
	offering Fund,.....	100 00		
	Mrs W. H. Burnot,.....	100 00		
Apr.	Christ Church, Bay Ridge, L. I.,.....	78 66		
	St. John's, Lower Merion, Pa., For Miss., \$20;			
	S. S., \$10, ditto,.....			30 00
	St. Ann's, Morrisania, N. Y., to complete L. M.			
	Rev. Wm. Huckel,.....	25 00		
	Miss C. Jay, New-York, ann. sub.,.....	3 00		
	J. M. Duckitt, Pa.,.....	10 00		
	St. Luke's, Scranton, Pennsylvania,.....	18 00		
	“ T. H.,” New-York, gen., \$1; For., \$1,.....	1 00		1 00
	S. S. St. John's, Elizabeth, for Bishop Vail, ..		50 00	
	Emmanuel, Balt.,.....	33 56		
	W. Seymour, Yonkers, N. Y.,.....	25 00		
	Christ Church, Rye, N. Y.,.....	59 44		
	Trinity, Lawrence, Kansas,.....	8 75		

1866.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
	Trinity, Columbus, O.,.....	\$92 72		
	Church Atonement, Philadelphia, L. M., Rev. B. Watson and general contrib.,.....	242 96		
	Spec. Kansas, \$10.44; Africa, \$20,.....		\$10 44	\$20 00
	St. Paul's, Boston, Mass., L. M., Rev. H. F. Allen,	200 00		
	E. W. Dunham, New-York,.....	100 00		
	E. R. Celler, Delaware, O.,.....	1 00		
	St. Mark's, N. Y., Hayti, \$200; Foreign, \$200,...			400 00
	St. Luke's, Philadelphia, Cape Palmas,.....			25 00
	Christ Ch., Philadelphia, for Epis. Res., Kansas,		50 00	
	" " " Itinerant in Kansas,		268 25	
	Trinity, Bergen Point, N. J.,.....	57 00		
	St. John's, Elizabeth, N. J., for Miss. in the South,.....	300 00		
	St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls, Mass.,.....	25 00		
	St. John's, Cincinnati, Ohio, for So. Churches,...		180 00	
	S. S. Emmanuel Church, Balt.,.....	148 52		
	Zion, Munroeville, Ohio,.....	6 60		
	Int. on "Anthon Endowment Fund,".....		95 16	
	Int. on Bonds,.....	38 12		
	St. James', Pittsburg, Pa.,.....	25 00		
	"J. G. W.," New-York,.....	5 00		
	C. R. Marvin, New-York, spec. for Gold Hill,...		100 00	
	W. Hastings, New-York,.....		25 00	
	St. John's, Jamaica Plain, Mass., for Foreign Miss.,.....			50 00
	Church Interecession, Carmansville, N. Y., for Gold Hill,.....		47 25	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., for Griswold Col- lege, Iowa,.....		10150 00	
	Hon. C. S. Olden, N. J.,.....	100 00		
	A Friend, New-York,.....	50 00		
	Church of Mediator, Phila., Foreign Miss.,....			9 93
	St. Paul's, Boston, for Gold Hill, Nevada,.....		200 00	
	Rev. A. Sanford, Granville, O., to complete L. M. of Mrs. C. Sanford,.....	10 00		
	Rev. A. Sanford, for Freedmen's Com.,.....		10 00	
May	Mrs. A. Watts, New-York, for Gold Hill,.....		50 00	
	" " " " Rev. A. L. Porter for So. C.,.....		50 00	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., for church build- ing in Iowa,.....		500 00	
	J. F. Sheafe, Esq., New-York, for Gold Hill,...		100 00	
	" " " for ch. at Norwich, Vt.,		50 00	
	" " " Dunbarton, N. H.,		50 00	
	" " " for Education,.....		100 00	
	"Thank-offering,".....	250 00		
	St. John's, Framingham, Mass., for Hayti,....			16 96
	Jay Cooke and Co., New-York, special,.....		500 00	
	"Cash for Ch. in Vermont and New-Hamp.,...		150 00	
	Mrs. Grovesner, for So. C.,.....		100 00	
	Trinity, Newark, N. J., Foreign Miss.,.....			102 92
	S. S. Anthon Memorial, N. Y., Cape Palmas,...			30 00
	Christ, Springfield, Ohio,.....	15 00		
	Ch. Atonement, N. Y., for Ch. at Gold Hill,...		233 00	
	Church of Epiphany, Phila.,.....	200 00		
	St. Paul's, South-Trenton, N. J., Kansas, \$25; Africa, \$10,.....		25 00	10 00

1866.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
	Cash for Bishop Vail, for outfits,.....		\$50 00	
	St. John's, Cincinnati, O., for P. E. Seaman Miss.,		34 00	
	Christ Church, Cincinnati, Ohio,.....	\$147 00		
	S. S. Calvary, Williamsburg, L. I., for ch. at Burlington, Kansas,.....		125 00	
	J. F. Sheafe, N. Y., "Thank-offering Fund,"...	500 00		
	St. George's, New-York, Foreign Miss.,.....			100 00
	" " to const. R. S. Haines L. M.,	100 00		
	St. Paul's, Norwalk, Ohio,.....	18 00		
	F. G. Foster, New-York, for Gold Hill,.....		200 00	
	Interest on "Anthon Endowment,".....		20 70	
	Interest on Bonds,.....	289 80		
Jun.	St. Emmanuel Ch., Baltimore, Foreign Miss.,..			17 50
	All Saints, Portsmouth, Ohio,.....	32 00		
	St. Peter's, Delaware, Ohio,.....	5 00		
	Trinity, Swedesboro, N. J.,.....	61 18		
	" " " S. S.,.....	20 00		
	Christ Church, Springfield, Ohio,.....	31 40		
	Church of Intercession, New-York,.....	22 50		
	Christ Church, Lonsdale, R. I., for Colorado,...		176 50	
	" " " " for E. K. Society,		250 00	
	Anthon Memorial, New-York, for Gold Hill,...		140 33	
	Emmanuel Church, Boston,.....	5 00		
	R. S. Sorenson, Amesbury, Mass.,.....	5 00		
	St. Mark's, New-York, Dios. Miss.,.....		80 00	
	Trinity, Newark, Ohio,.....	10 00		
	C. A. Winthrop, Owego, N. Y., for Gold Hill,...			1 00
	R. H. Ives, Providence, R. I., " " "			200 00
	Rev. J. S. C. Greene, Mass., " " "			200 00
	S. Brown, New-York, " " "			200 00
	J. S. Warren, Boston, " " "			20 00
	St. Thomas, Newark, Del., Foreign Miss.,.....			31 40
	T. A. Curtis, ".....	10 00		
	S. M. Curtis, " ann. sub.,.....	15 00		
	" S." New-York, for Church at Gold Hill,.....		50 00	
	Rev. E. Anthon, New-York, for Gold Hill,.....		10 00	
	Cash, New-York, for church at Gold Hill,.....		1 00	
	St. Jude's, Tiskilwa, Ill.,.....	10 25		
	Church Redeemer, Princeton, Ill.,.....	8 75		
	St. Jude's, Tiskilwa, for Freedmen's Com.,.....		4 00	
	Ch. Redeemer, Princeton, Ill., " ".....		5 00	
	Church Holy Trinity, New-York, for Gold Hill,		252 00	
	H. R. Day, Wauwegan, " ".....		2 00	
	G. H. N., for " ".....		27 00	
July	Rev. D. S. Miller, Frankford, Pa., const. L. M.,..	30 00		
	Mrs. Du Pont, Del., for Register,.....	50		
	Rev. W. R. Babcock, Mass., for Register, \$5; gen., \$100; ch. at Gold Hill, \$100,.....	105 00	100 00	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., ch. at Gold Hill,...		200 00	
	St. John's, Cincinnati, O., gen., \$175; Church of Good Shepherd, Mobile, Ala., \$25,.....	175 00	25 00	
	St. John's, Cincinnati, O., For. Miss.,.....			200 00
	T. Messenger, Brooklyn, L. I., for Gold Hill,...		25 00	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., for Dr. Claxton's draft,.....		150 00	
	St. James', Zanesville, Ohio,.....	5 00		
	" " " " China, Africa, and Japan,.....			19 85

1866.		General.	Special.	Foreign.
	E. T. Shriver, Cumberland, Md., ann. sub.,.....	\$3 00		
	Anthon Memorial, New-York, for China,.....			\$15 00
	St. John's, Portland, Me.,.....	25 00		
	“ “ “ Foreign Miss.,.....			25 00
	Christ Ch., Manhasset, L. I., for Gold Hill,....		\$44 74	
	St. Paul's, Doylestown, Pa.,.....	8 00		
	Rev. J. Trapnell, Md., gen., \$10; Dom. Com., \$6; For Com., \$5,.....	10 00	6 00	5 00
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., for church built at Junction City, Kansas,.....		100 00	
	Int. on “Anthon Endowment Fund,”.....		397 75	
	Two Members Ch. Epiphany, Phila., for ch. at Gold Hill,.....		15 00	
Aug	J. D. Coolfe, for church at Gold Hill,.....		250 00	
	Grace Church, Whitestone, L. I.,.....	50 00		
	“ “ “ “ Foreign Miss.,...			75 00
	St. John's, Elizabeth, N. J., for Bishop Lee,...		52 82	
	“T. J. H. E.,” Great Choptank, Md.,.....	30 00		
	St. Andrew's, Waverley, Iowa,.....	2 50		
	Rev. W. Wright, Iowa,.....	3 00		
	Boxley Hall, Miss. Soc., Gambier, O.,.....	32 65		
	St. John's, Cleveland, O., for Colorado,.....		19 82	
	St. Paul's, Cheltenham, Pa., for Iowa,.....		350 00	
Sept	Grace Church, Hopkinsville, Kentucky,.....	10 50		
	St. Mark's, Nashua, Iowa,.....	3 03		
	St. Mark's, New-Milford, Pa.,.....	4 75		
	“ “ “ “ Foreign Miss.,....			4 75
	C. E. Winthrop, Owego, N. Y.,.....	2 00		
	Christ Church, Brooklyn, L. I., Dios. M.,.....		100 00	
	St. George's, Hempstead, L. I.,.....	35 80		
	Holy Trinity, New-York, for Bishop Vail,....		100 00	
	“ “ “ for Rev. Mr. Dalton,.....		100 00	
	Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia, for Bishop Vail's Ep. Res.,.....		51 28	
	St. Paul's, Brookline, Mass., for Bishop H. W. Lee, \$129.55; Bishop Vail, \$129.55; Bishop Randall, \$129.55; gen., \$25.03,.....	25 03	388 65	
	Trinity, New-Haven,.....	3 00		

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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This Association shall be called THE AMERICAN CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ARTICLE II. The object of this Society shall be to extend and build up the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, in accordance with the principles and doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as set forth in her Articles, Liturgy, and Homilies.

ARTICLE III. Any person approving of the object of this Society, may become a Member of the same, by the annual contribution of Three Dollars ; a Life-Member, by the contribution of One Hundred Dollars ; and a Patron, by the contribution of Five Hundred Dollars, with all the privileges of a Life-Member.

ARTICLE IV. This Society shall meet annually, at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, and shall elect a President who shall be a Layman, six Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, Treasurer, and an Executive Committee consisting of Ten Clergymen and Ten Laymen, a majority of whom shall be resident in the city, or in the immediate vicinity of the city, in which the Executive Committee is located. Special Meetings of the Society shall be called by the President, at the request of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V. The Executive Committee shall conduct the business of the Society, and make an Annual Report of their proceedings. They shall frame a Code of By-Laws ; fill any vacancy that may occur among the Officers of the Society between the Annual Meetings ; and do whatever may be necessary to give efficiency to the work assigned to them.

ARTICLE VI. This Constitution shall not be altered, except at an Annual Meeting of the Society, and by a vote of two thirds of the members present. Ten members shall constitute a quorum.

CHARTER OF THE SOCIETY.

THE following act of Incorporation was obtained from the Legislature of the State of New-York during its last session :

CHAPTER 189.

An Act to incorporate the AMERICAN CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Passed April 13, 1861.

The People of the State of New-York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. All such persons as now are or may hereafter become members, life-members, or patrons of the American Church Missionary Society, formed in the city of New-York, on the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, shall be and are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of the American Church Missionary Society, for the purpose and object of extending and promoting the Christian religion in this State, within the United States, and in foreign countries, in accordance with the principles and doctrines of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as set forth in her Articles, Liturgy, and Homilies, by means of missions and mission-schools, and of the services of ministers, missionaries, teachers, colporteurs, and otherwise.

SEC. 2. The said Corporation shall have the powers and be subject to the provisions contained in the third title of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the Revised Statutes, so far as the same are in force and applicable; and it shall be capable and authorized to take, receive, purchase, and hold any lands, real estate, or other property, by purchase, will, testament, devise, gift, grant, demise, or otherwise, and to convey and demise the same, subject to an act passed April thirteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty, in relation to wills, for the furtherance of the said purpose and object of said Corporation; but its annual income from real estate at one time held shall not exceed the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. The Constitution of said Society now existing shall be the Constitution of said Corporation, and shall continue in force, subject to being changed as therein provided; and all persons now holding office in said Society shall be in like offices of said Corporation, and with like functions, until the next annual meeting provided for by said Constitution.

SEC. 4. The business of said Corporation shall be conducted, and its affairs and property shall be managed by an Executive Committee, to be constituted and chosen as the Constitution and By-Laws of said Corporation shall prescribe; and the present Executive Committee of said Society shall be the Executive Committee of the said Corporation until the next annual meeting aforesaid, with power to fill vacancies in their own body, and all other powers conferred upon the Executive Committee of said Society by said Constitution.

SEC. 5. In case any annual meeting shall fail to be held as required by said Constitution, or shall fail to make the necessary elections of officers and Executive Committee, the said Executive Committee may call a meeting of the Society, which shall have all the powers and authority of an annual meeting; and in all cases every officer of said Corporation and every member of the Executive Committee shall continue in his respective office and place, notwithstanding the expiration of the term for which he was chosen, until such office or place shall be filled by his successor.

SEC. 6. The number and class of persons to constitute a quorum of the Executive Committee for all purposes and business, shall be such as the By-Laws shall from time to time prescribe.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take place immediately.

STATE OF NEW-YORK, }
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. }

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at the city of
[L. s.] Albany, this nineteenth day of April, in the year
one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

H. H. WILLCOX,

Dep. Secretary of State.

NOTICES.



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All communications having reference to the Society should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary, the Rev. H. DYER, D.D., No. 3 Bible House, New-York.

THE REGISTER.

The AMERICAN CHURCH MISSIONARY REGISTER will be issued monthly, at the rate of fifty cents per copy.